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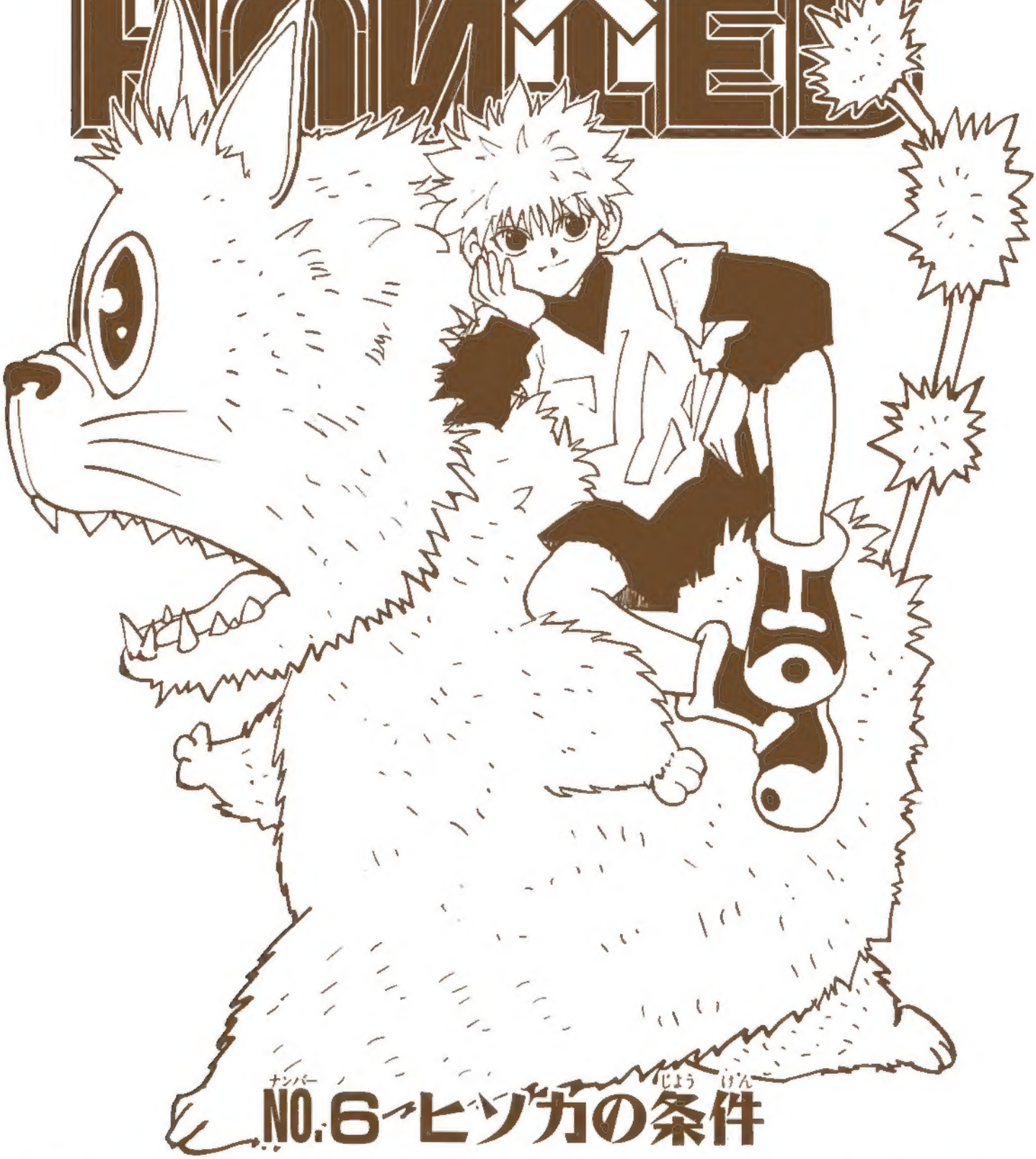

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HEAVENS ARENA

IS A TOWER COMBAT ARENA, WHERE VICTORIOUS FIGHTERS ASCEND TO HIGHER FLOORS AS PART OF ITS REWARD SYSTEM. ON AVERAGE, ABOUT 4,000 PEOPLE CONFIDENT IN THEIR STRENGTH COME DAILY TO TEST THEIR SKILLS.

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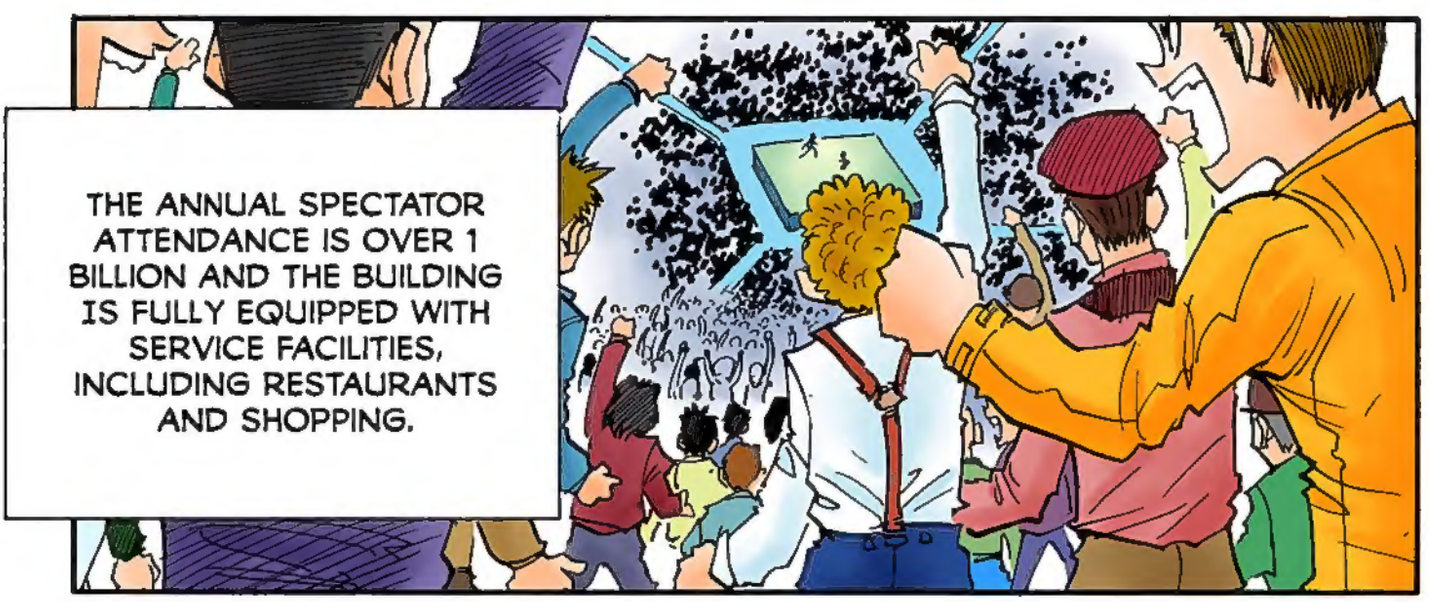

THE FIRST 200 FLOORS OF THE HEAVENS ARENA ARE DIVIDED INTO CLASSES, EACH COMPRISING OF 10 FLOORS.

WHICH MEANS THAT A FIGHTER WHO WINS ON THE 50TH FLOOR CAN ADVANCE TO THE 60TH FLOOR.

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THIS WAY, PLEASE.

IF THEY LOSE, THEY THEN DROP DOWN TO THE 40TH FLOOR.

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WOW...

THEY ALSO GIVE YOU A ROOM ONCE YOU REACH THE 100TH FLOOR.

WE'VE ARRIVED AT THE 50TH FLOOR.

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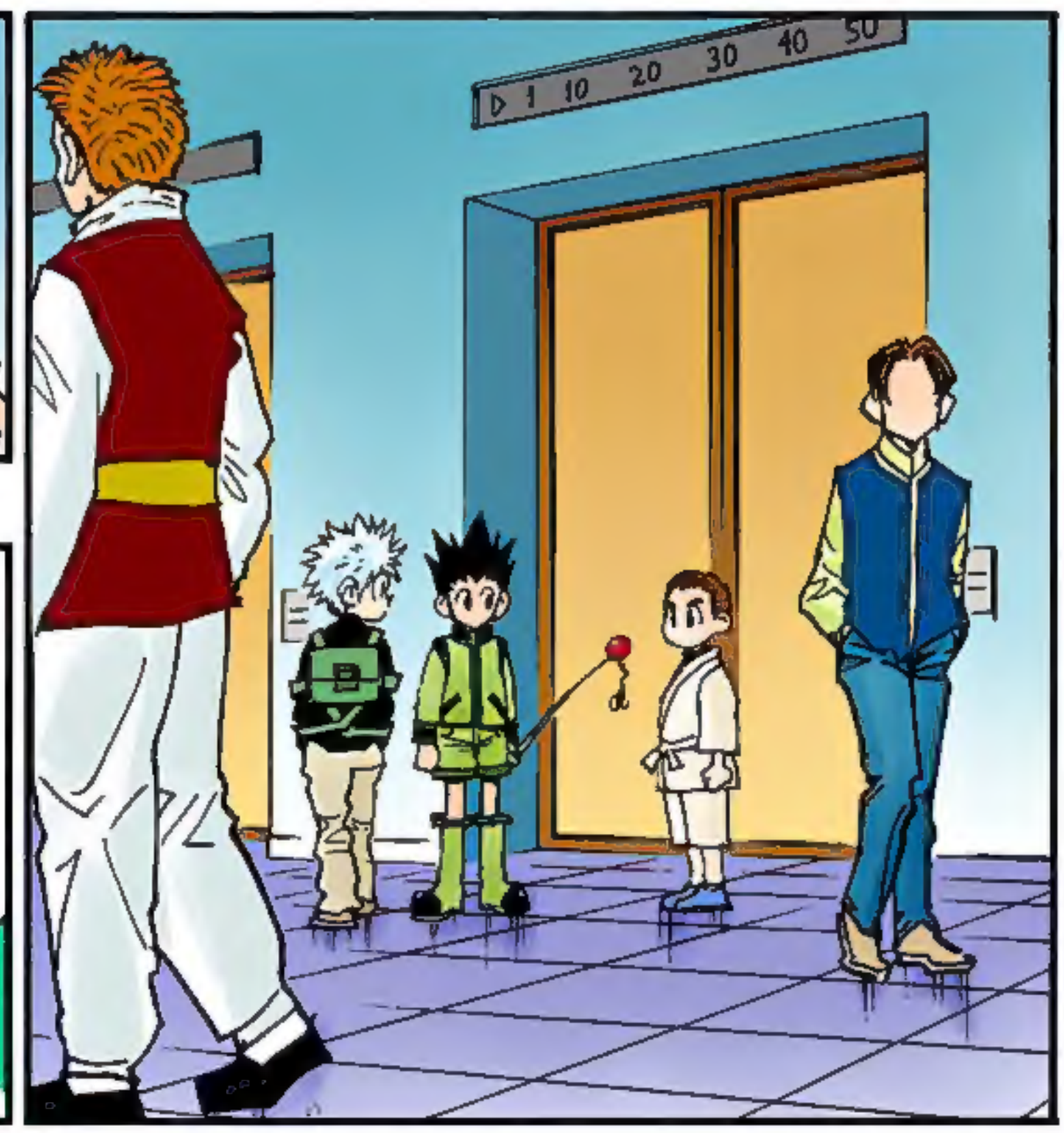
HEY!
OSU!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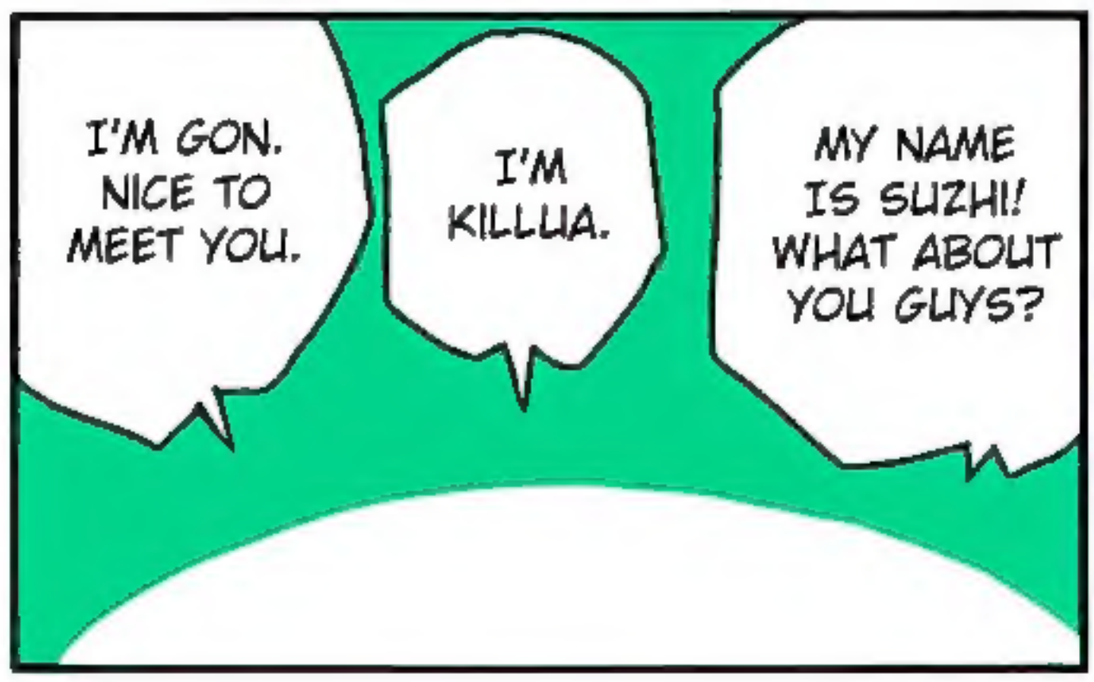
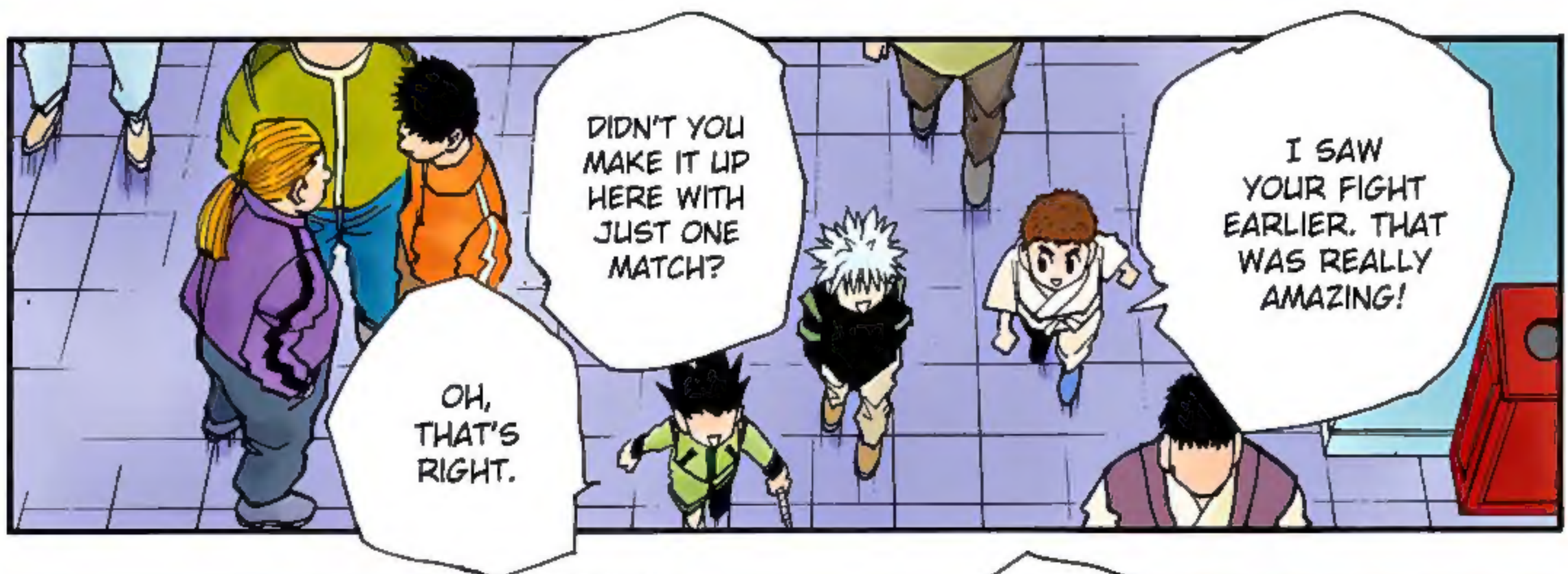
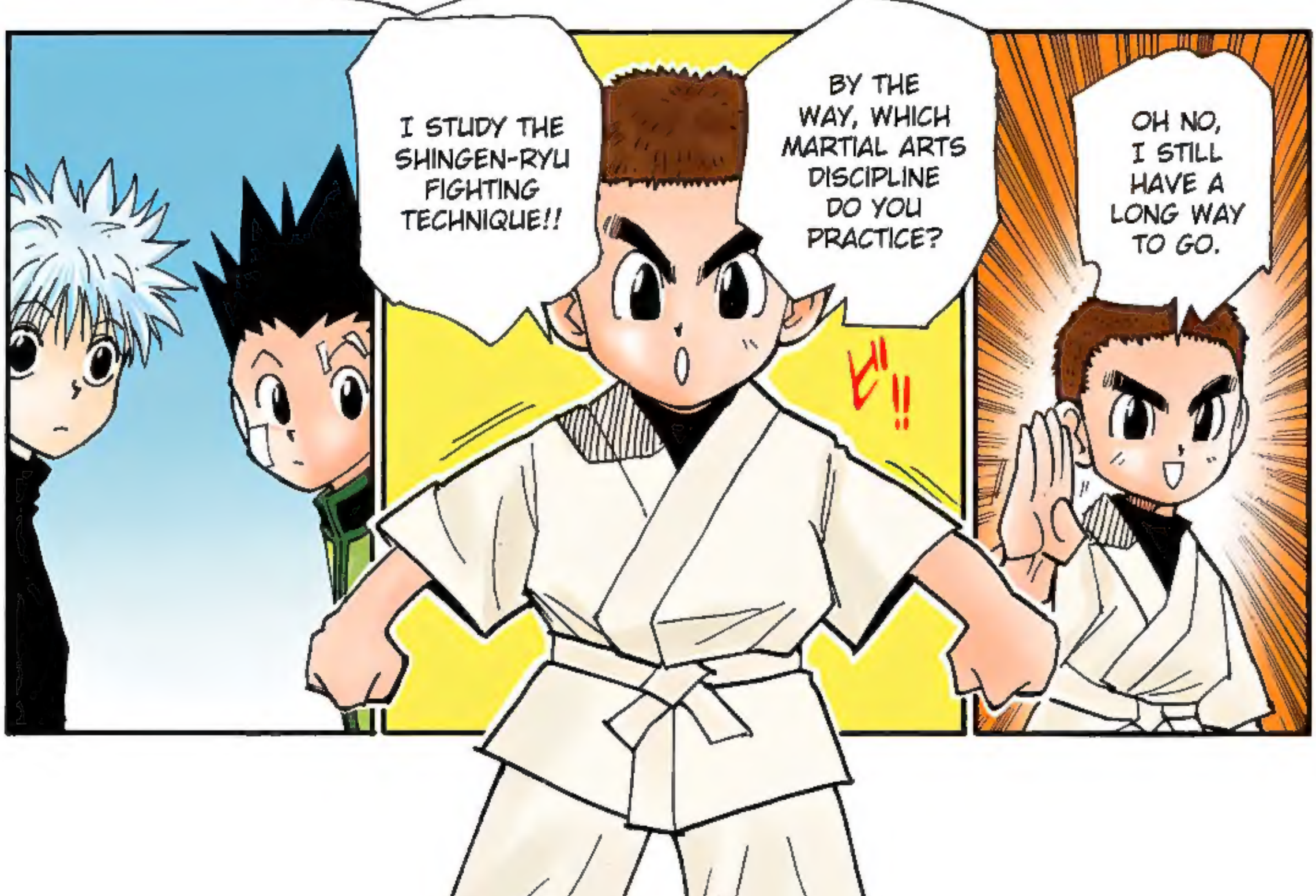
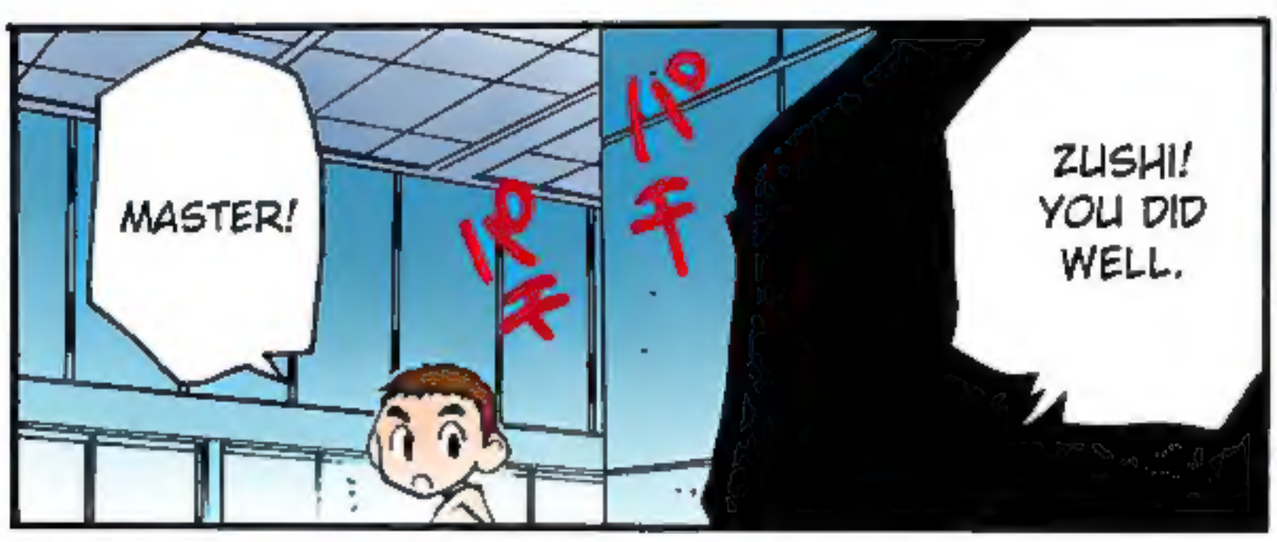

I'M GON. NICE TO MEET YOU.
I'M KILLUA.
MY NAME IS SUZHI! WHAT ABOUT YOU GUYS?


DIDN'T YOU MAKE IT UP HERE WITH JUST ONE MATCH?
I SAW YOUR FIGHT EARLIER. THAT WAS REALLY AMAZING!
OH, THAT'S RIGHT.

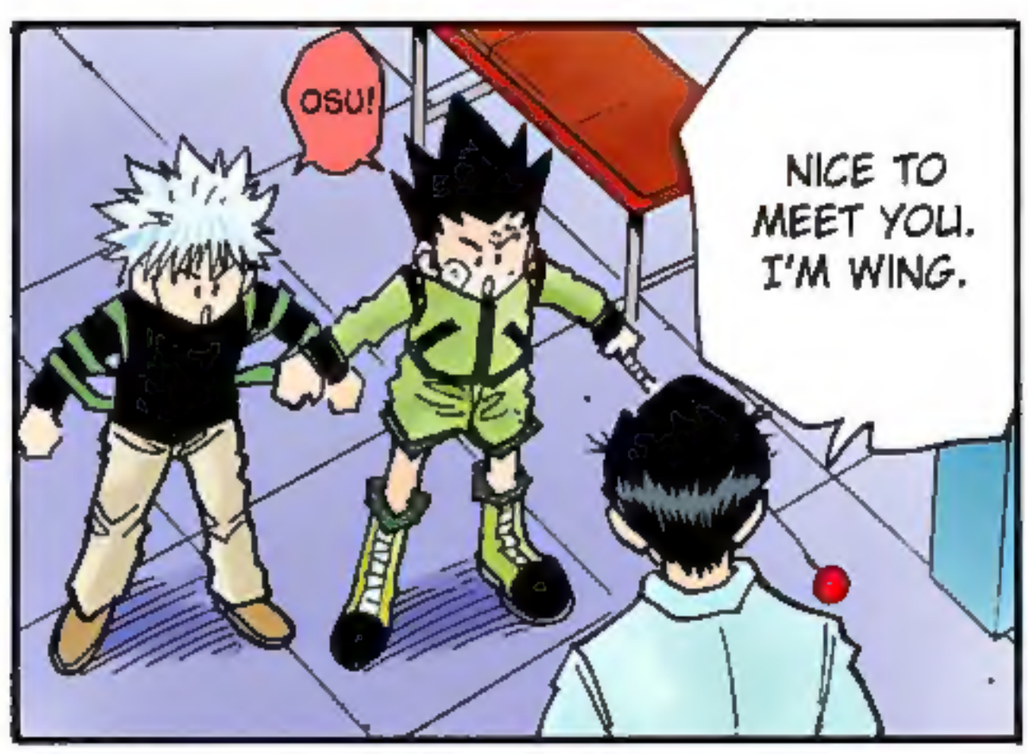

I STUDY THE SHINGEN-RYU FIGHTING TECHNIQUE!!
BY THE WAY, WHICH MARTIAL ARTS DISCIPLINE DO YOU PRACTICE?
OH NO, I STILL HAVE A LONG WAY TO GO.

I STILL HAVE A LONG WAY TO GO.
WELL...
I'M KIND OF SHOCKED.
YOU'RE THAT STRONG WITH NO TRAINING...

WHAT ?!
DISCIPLINE... WE DON'T HAVE ONE.

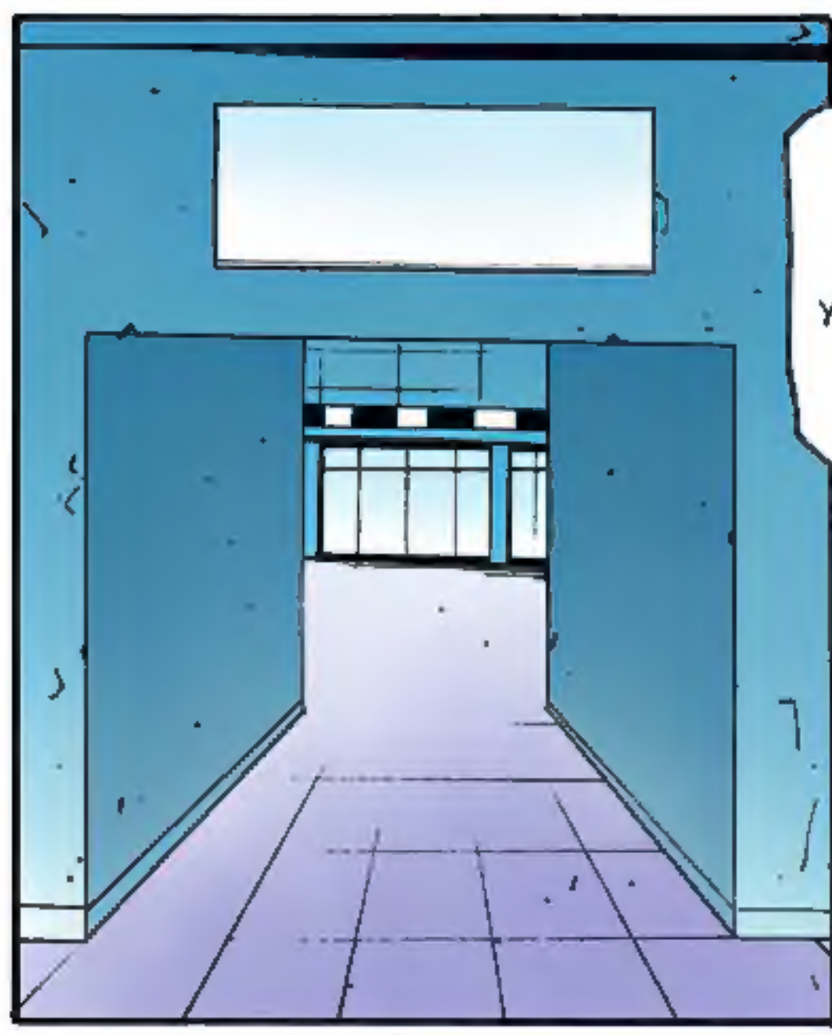

MASTER!
ZUSHI! YOU DID WELL.

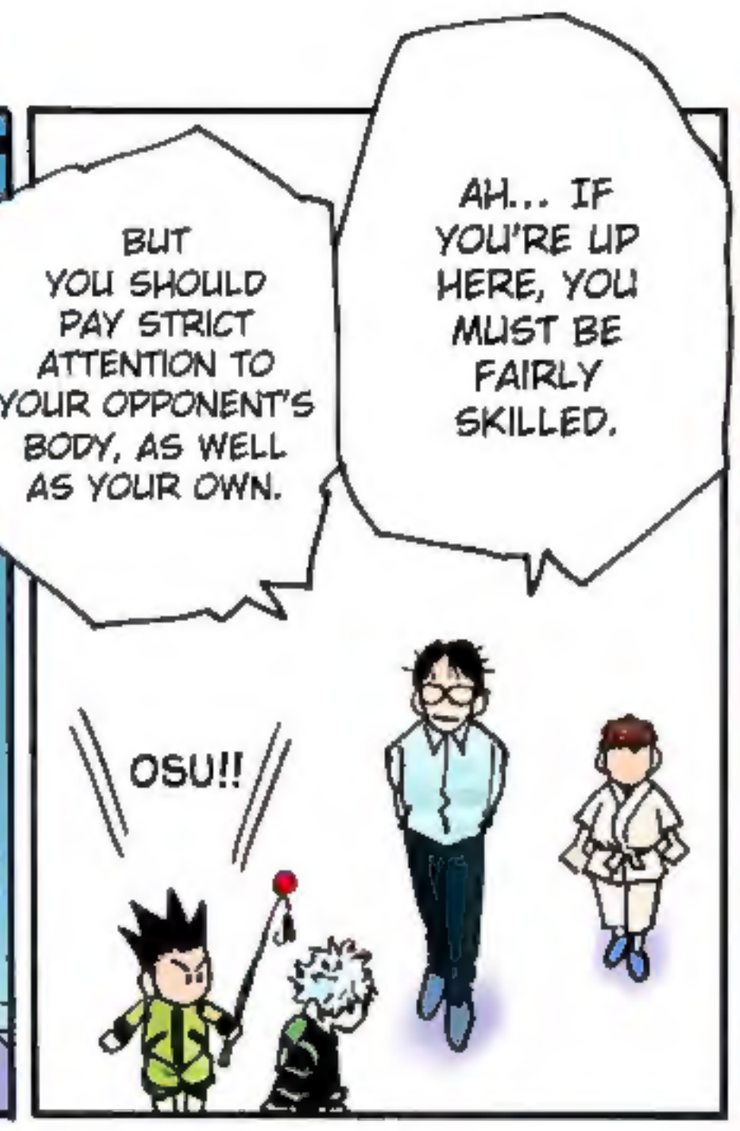
OH! SORRY, SORRY.
MASTER, YOUR SHIRT IS UNTUCKED AGAIN...
OSU! I AM HONORED.
YOU ADHERED TO MY TEACHINGS.

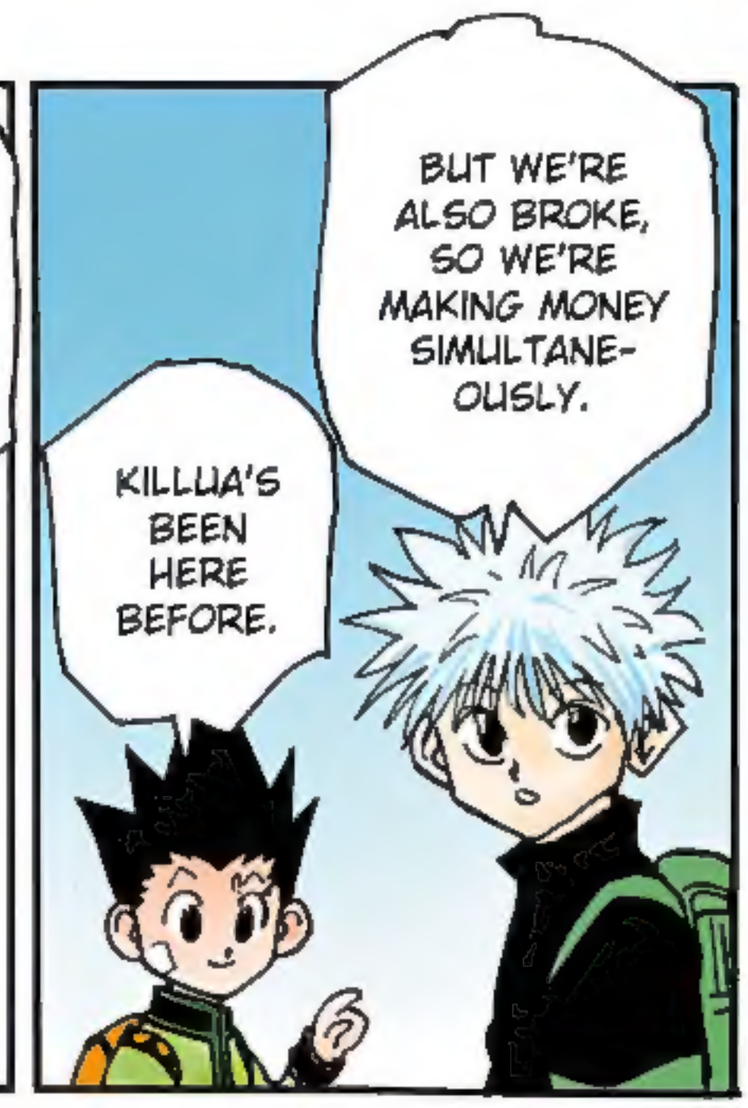

OSU!
NICE TO MEET YOU. I'M WING.

OH, THESE ARE KILLUA AND GON.
WHO ARE THEY?

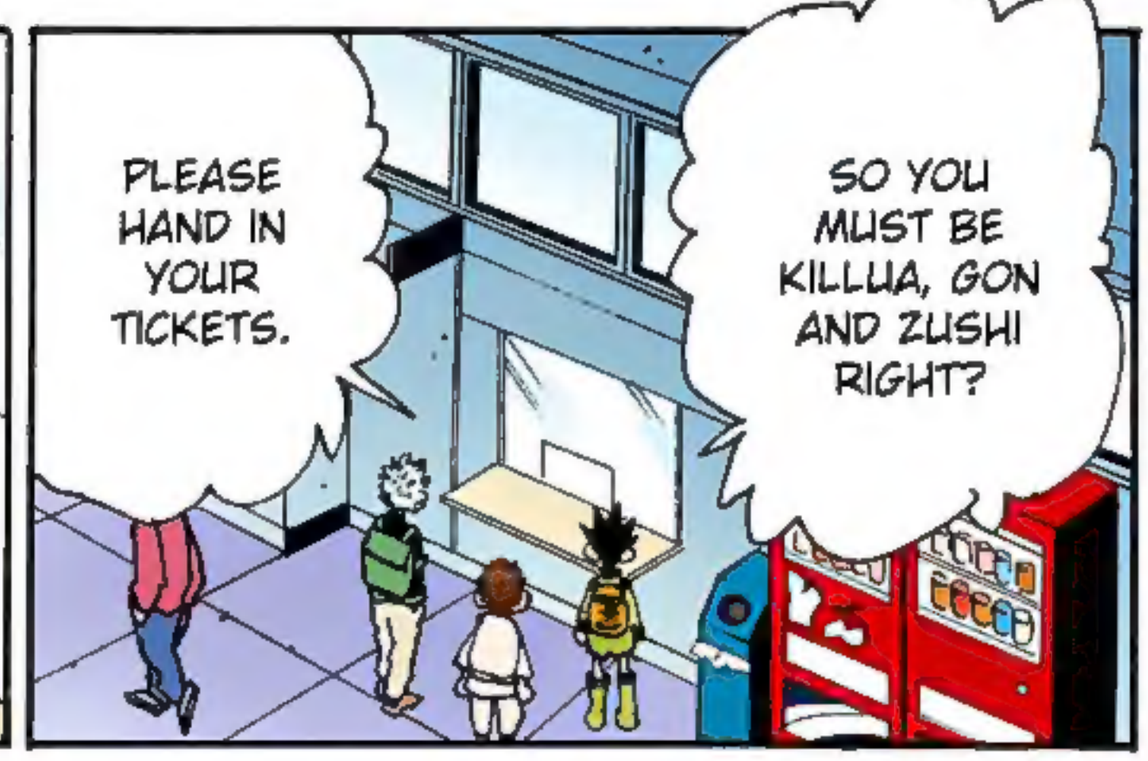
WE WANT TO BECOME STRONGER.
WELL...
WHY ARE YOU HERE?
I WASN'T EXPECTING OTHER KIDS TO BE HERE BESIDES ZUSHI.

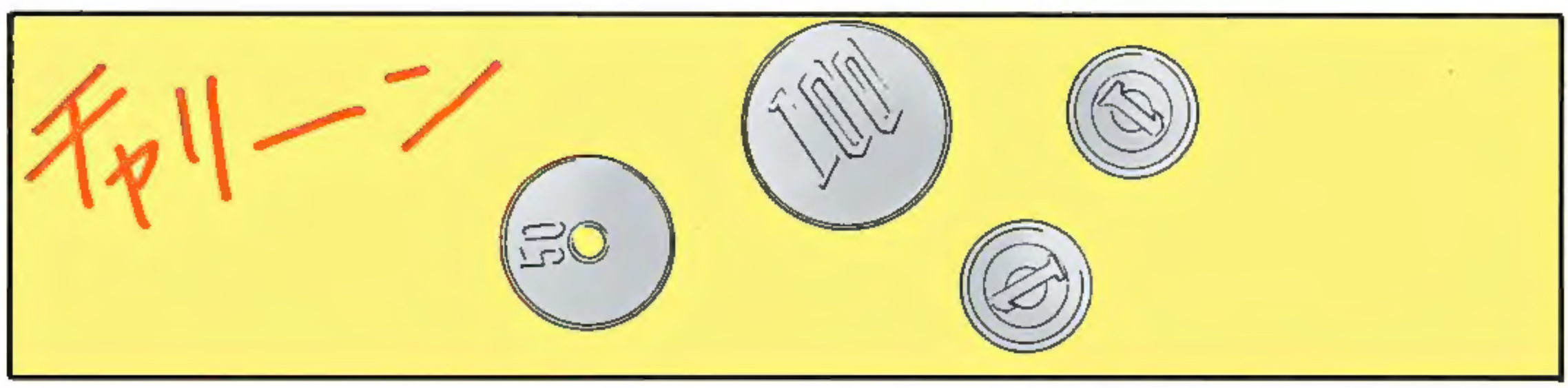



BUT YOU SHOULD PAY STRICT ATTENTION TO YOUR OPPONENT'S BODY, AS WELL AS YOUR OWN.
AH... IF YOU'RE UP HERE, YOU MUST BE FAIRLY SKILLED.
OSU!!


BUT WE'RE ALSO BROKE, SO WE'RE MAKING MONEY SIMULTANE-OUSLY.
KILLUA'S BEEN HERE BEFORE.

HERE YOU GO! THIS IS YOUR PRIZE MONEY FROM THE EARLIER FIGHT.


PLEASE HAND IN YOUR TICKETS.
SO YOU MUST BE KILLUA, GON AND ZUSHI RIGHT?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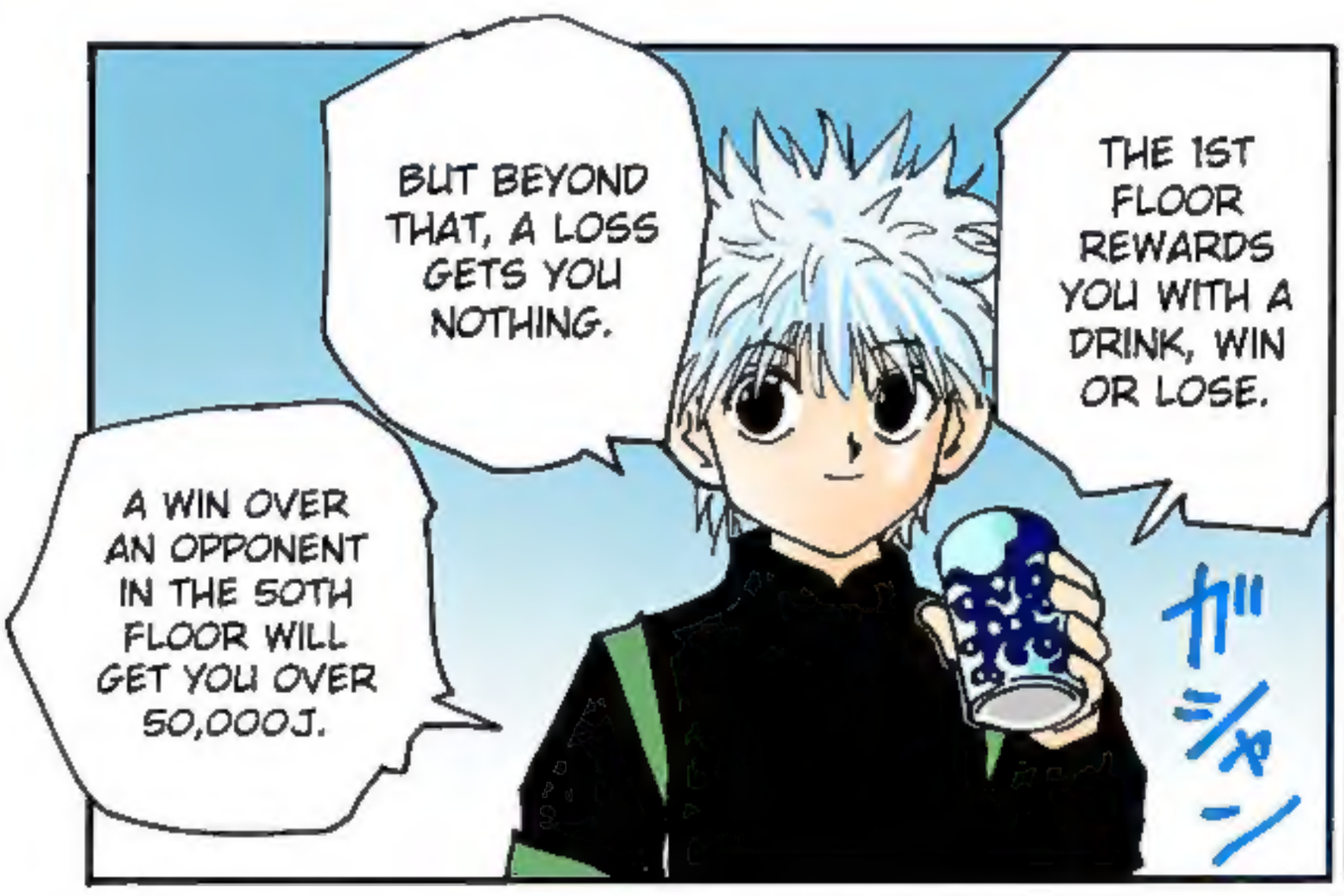
BUT BEYOND THAT, A LOSS GETS YOU NOTHING.
THE 1ST FLOOR REWARDS YOU WITH A DRINK, WIN OR LOSE.
A WIN OVER AN OPPONENT IN THE 50TH FLOOR WILL GET YOU OVER 50,000J.
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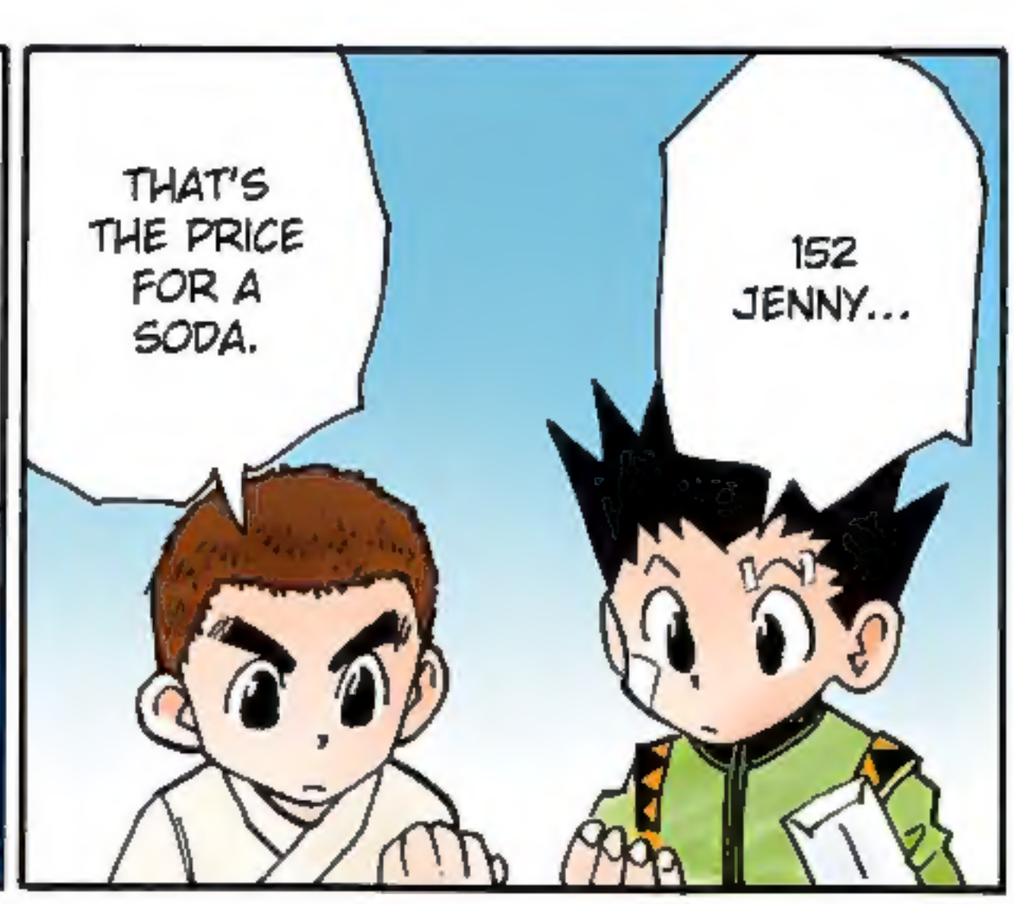
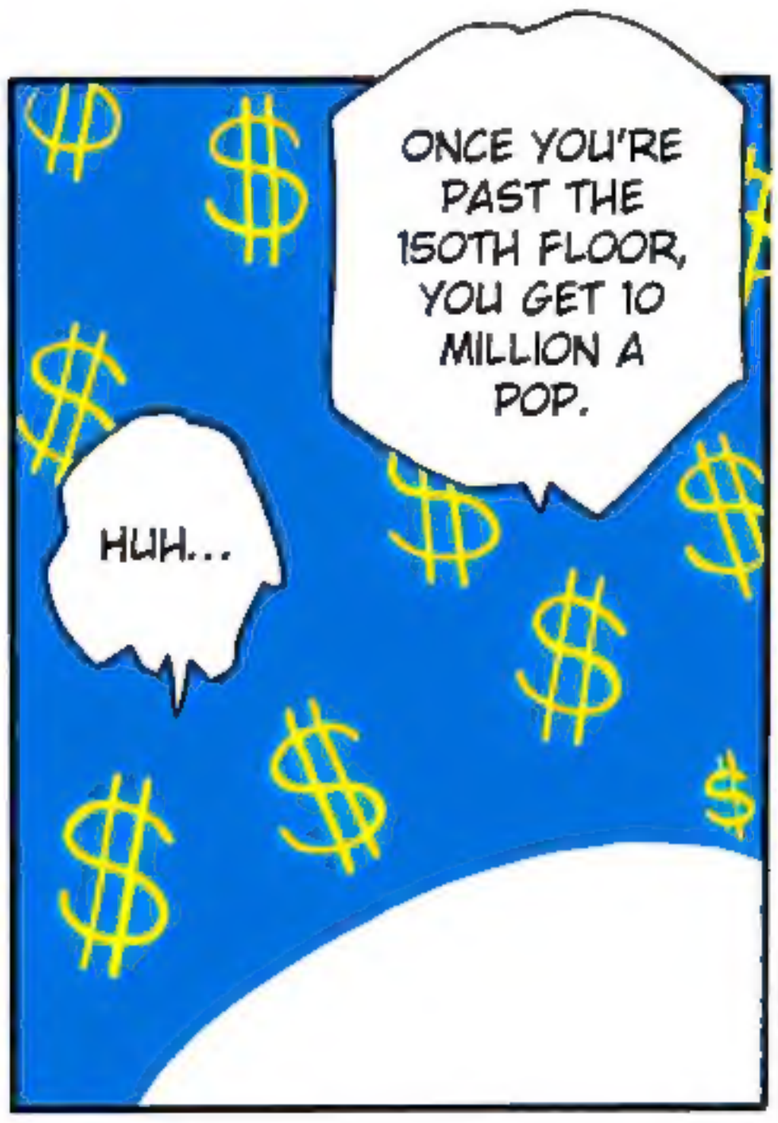

THAT'S THE PRICE FOR A SODA.
152 JENNY...


ONCE YOU'RE PAST THE 150TH FLOOR, YOU GET 10 MILLION A POP.
HUH...

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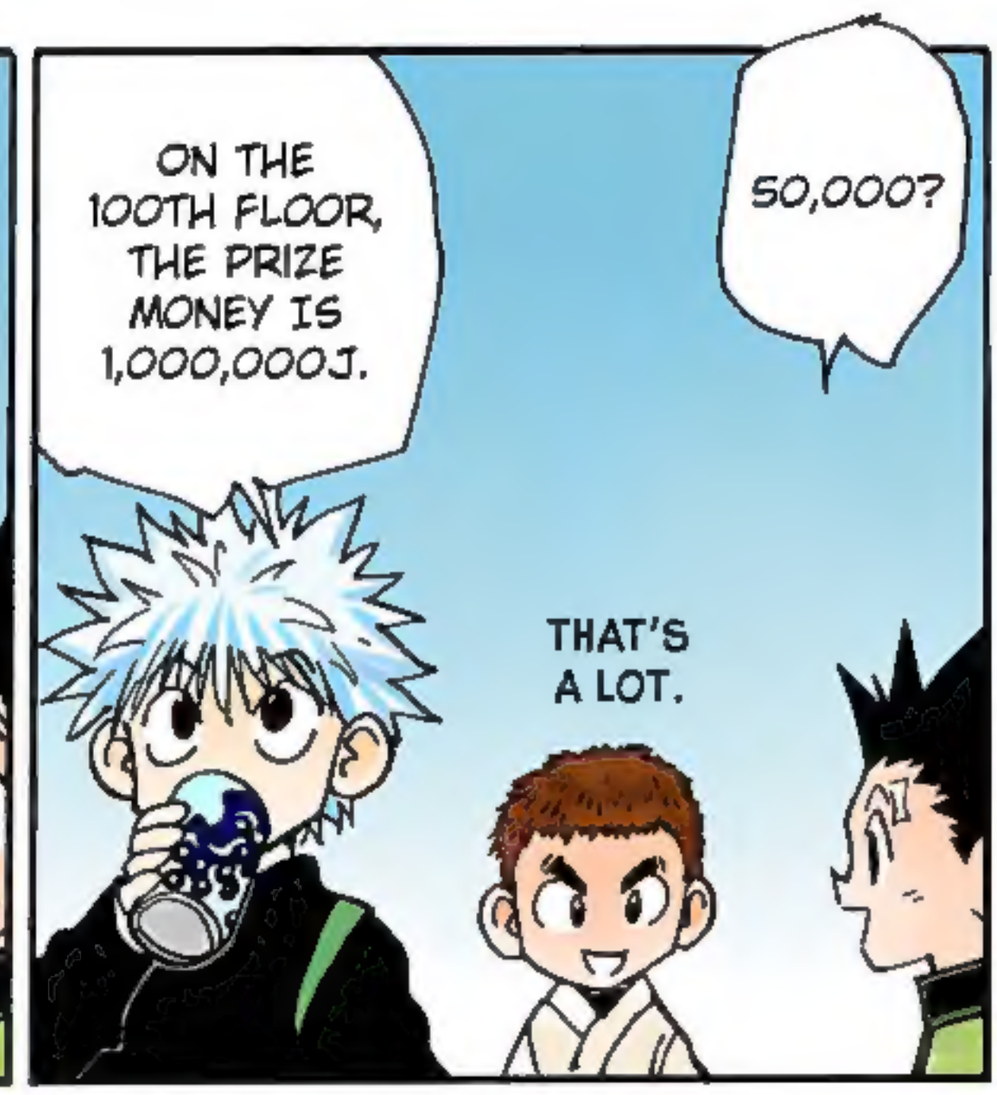
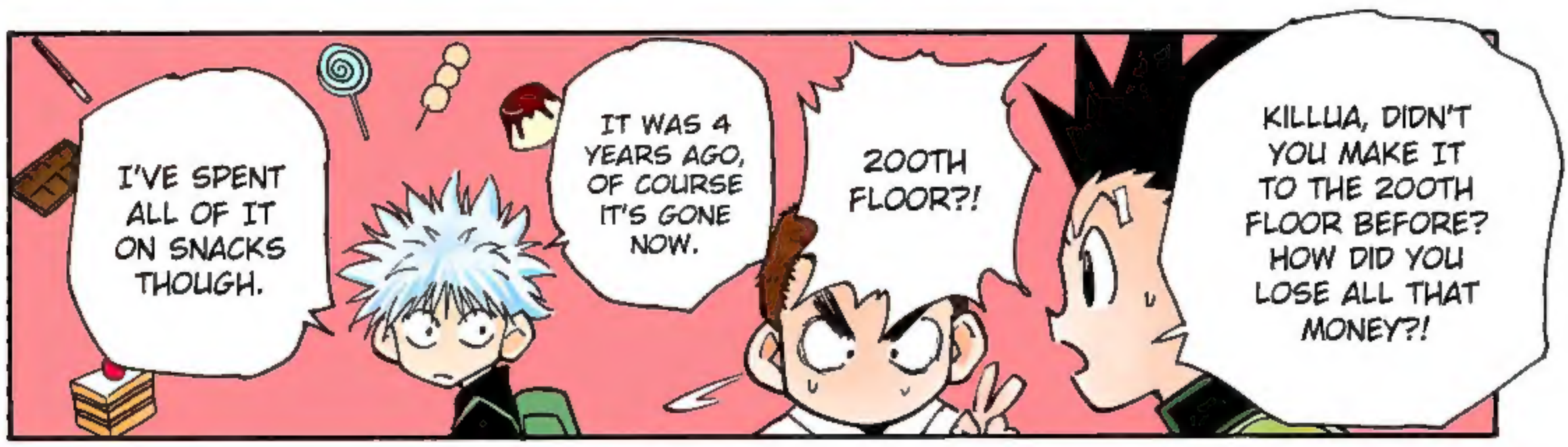
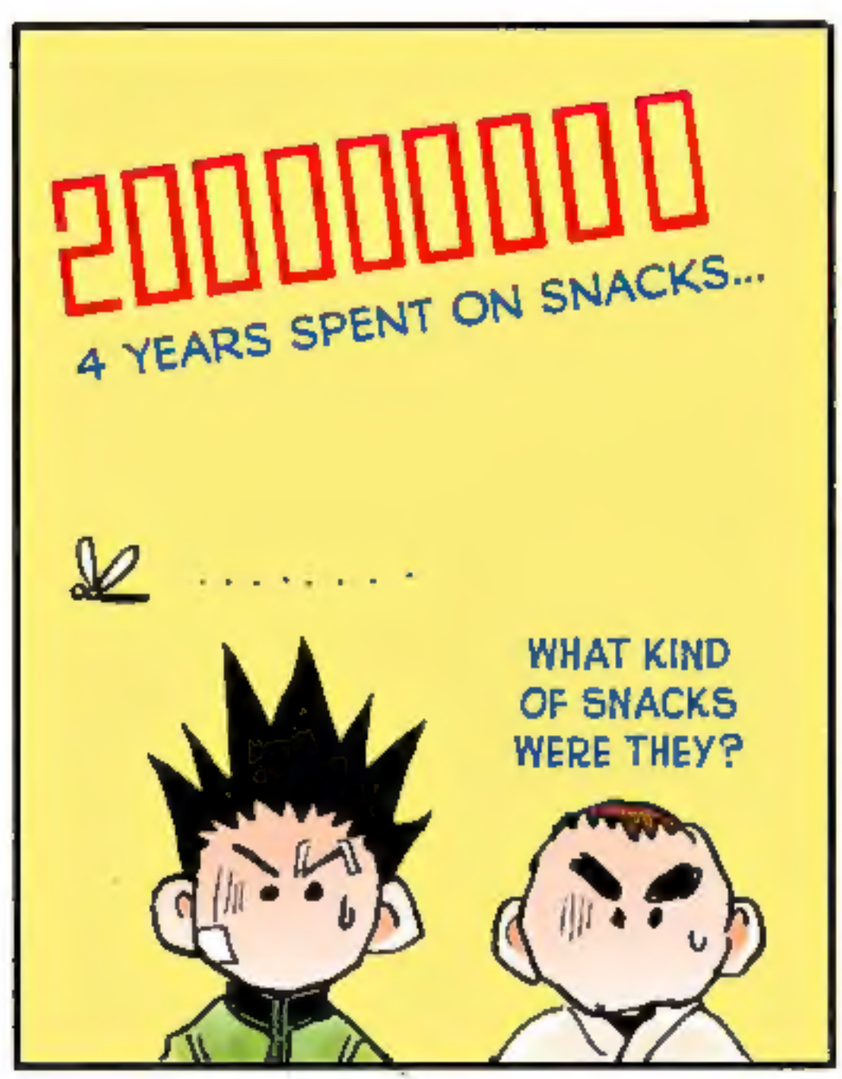

ON THE 100TH FLOOR, THE PRIZE MONEY IS 1,000,000J.
50,000?
THAT'S A LOT.


I'VE SPENT ALL OF IT ON SNACKS THOUGH.
IT WAS 4 YEARS AGO, OF COURSE IT'S GONE NOW.
200TH FLOOR?!
KILLUA, DIDN'T YOU MAKE IT TO THE 200TH FLOOR BEFORE? HOW DID YOU LOSE ALL THAT MONEY?!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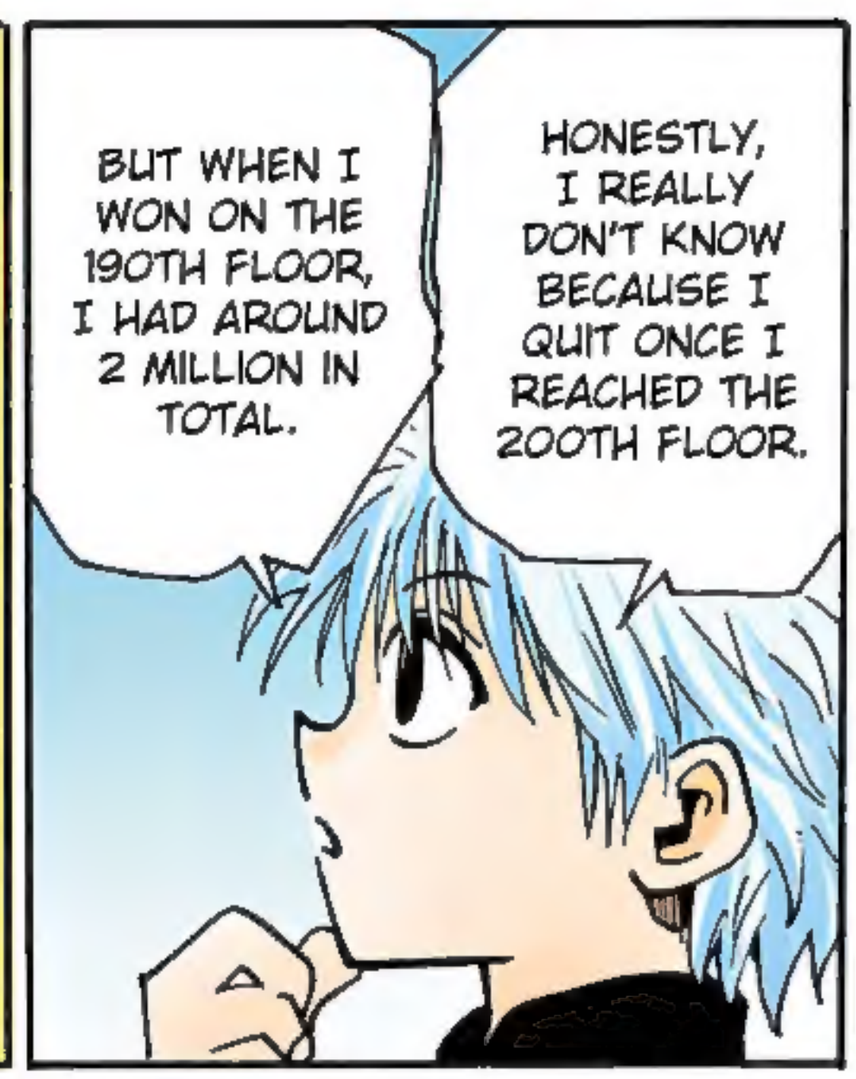
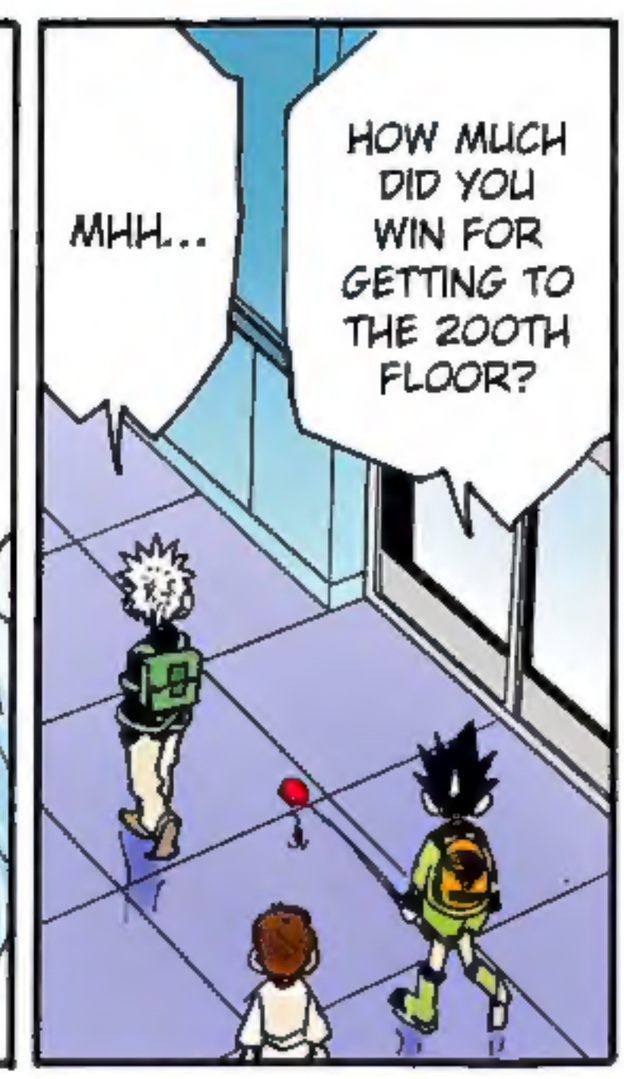
4 YEARS SPENT ON SNACKS...
WHAT KIND OF SNACKS WERE THEY?


BUT WHEN I WON ON THE 190TH FLOOR, I HAD AROUND 2 MILLION IN TOTAL.
HONESTLY, I REALLY DON'T KNOW BECAUSE I QUIT ONCE I REACHED THE 200TH FLOOR.


MHH...
HOW MUCH DID YOU WIN FOR GETTING TO THE 200TH FLOOR?

THEY'LL PROBABLY ASSIGN US ANOTHER MATCH TODAY.
HEY, LET'S HEAD TO THE WAITING ROOM. WE MADE IT THROUGH UNSCATHED TO THE FIRST FLOOR.

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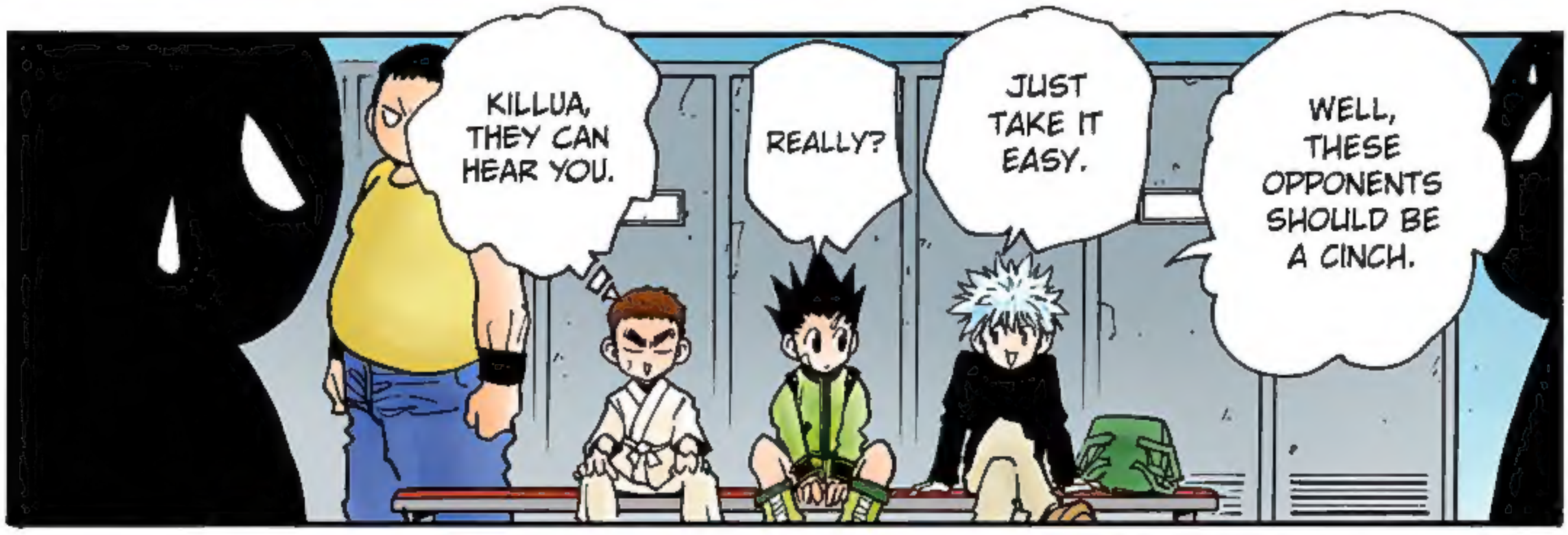
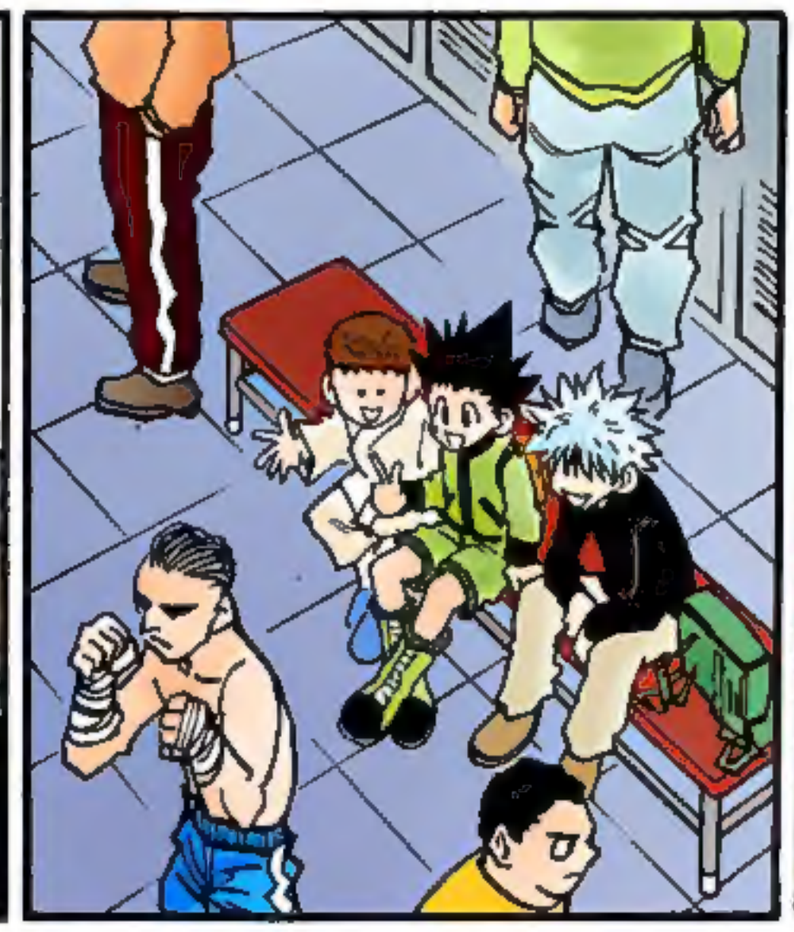
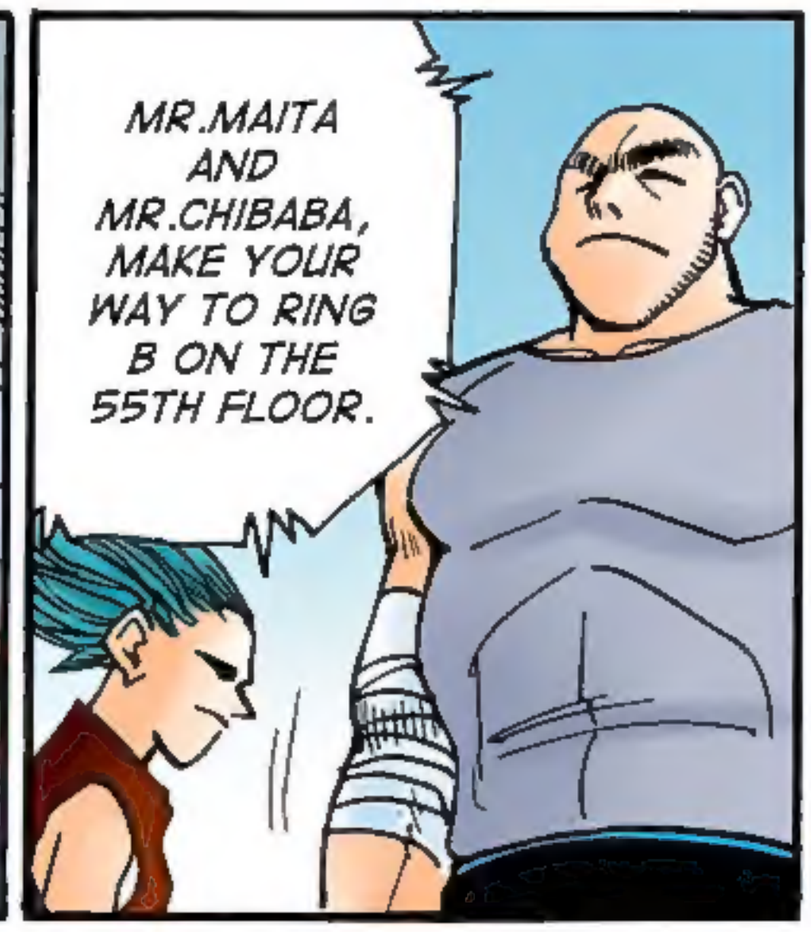
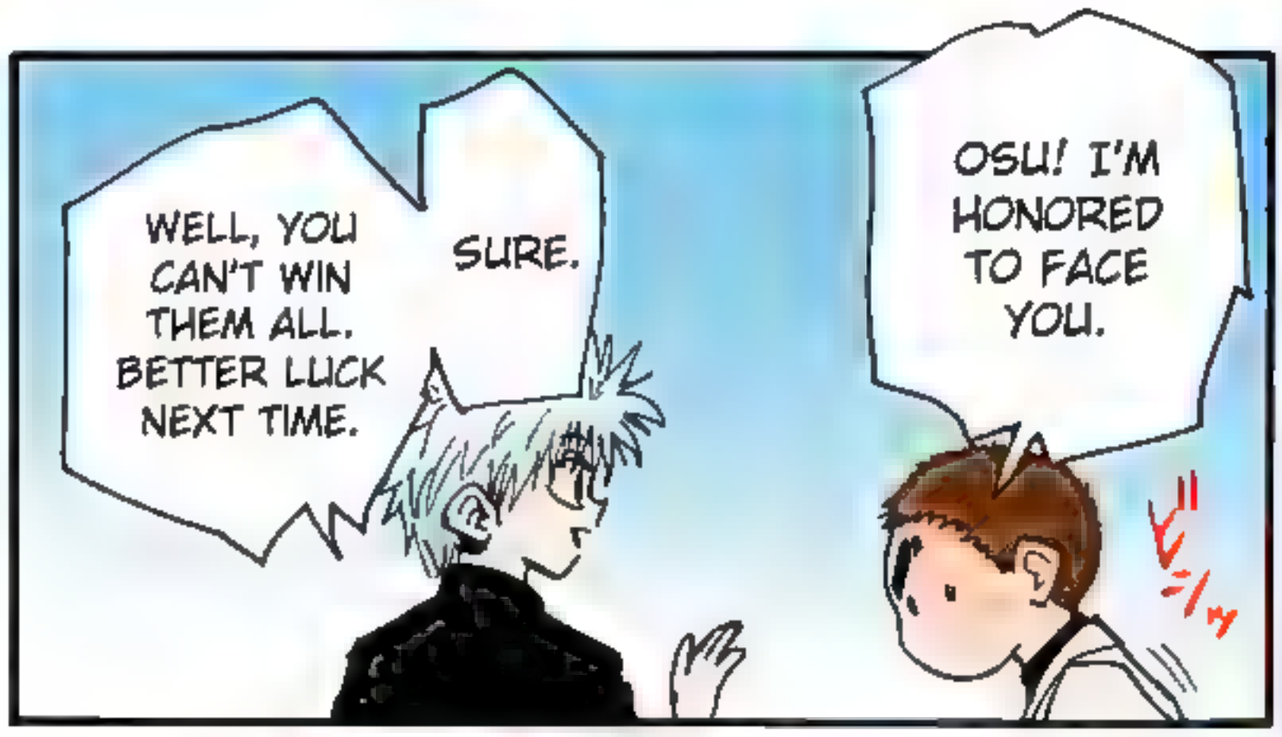

KILLUA, THEY CAN HEAR YOU.
REALLY?
JUST TAKE IT EASY.
WELL, THESE OPPONENTS SHOULD BE A CINCH.

MR.KILLUA...
I'M ALREADY UP.

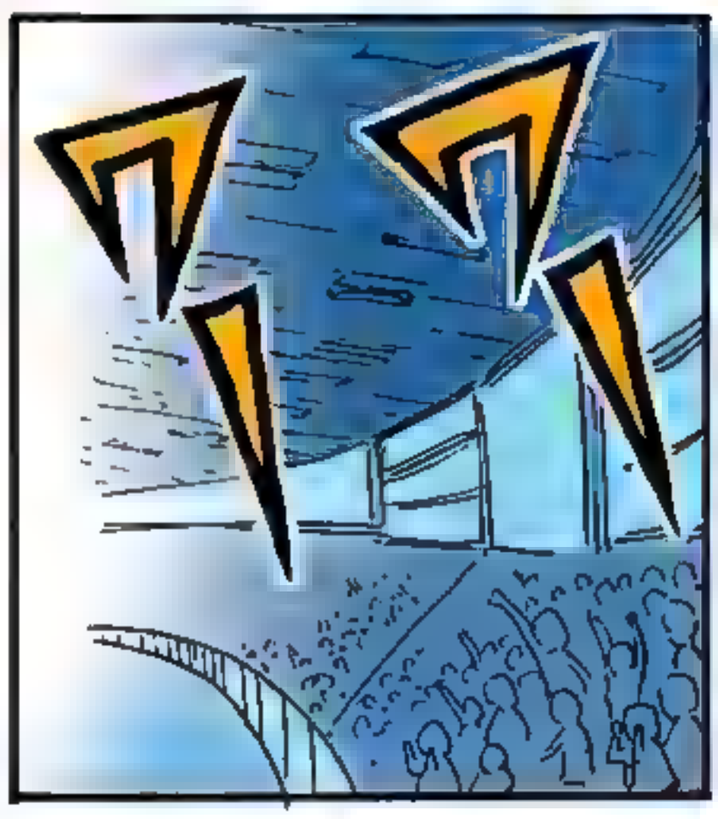


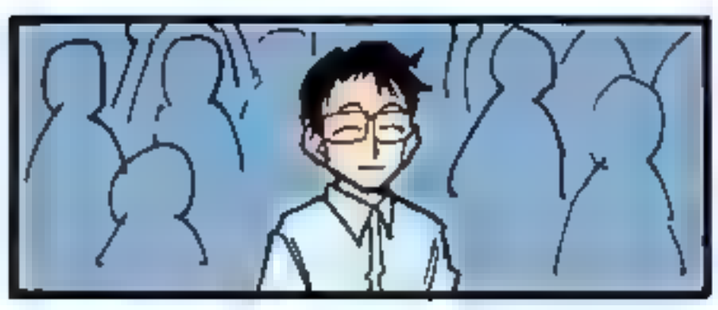

MR.MAITA AND MR.CHIBABA, MAKE YOUR WAY TO RING B ON THE 55TH FLOOR.

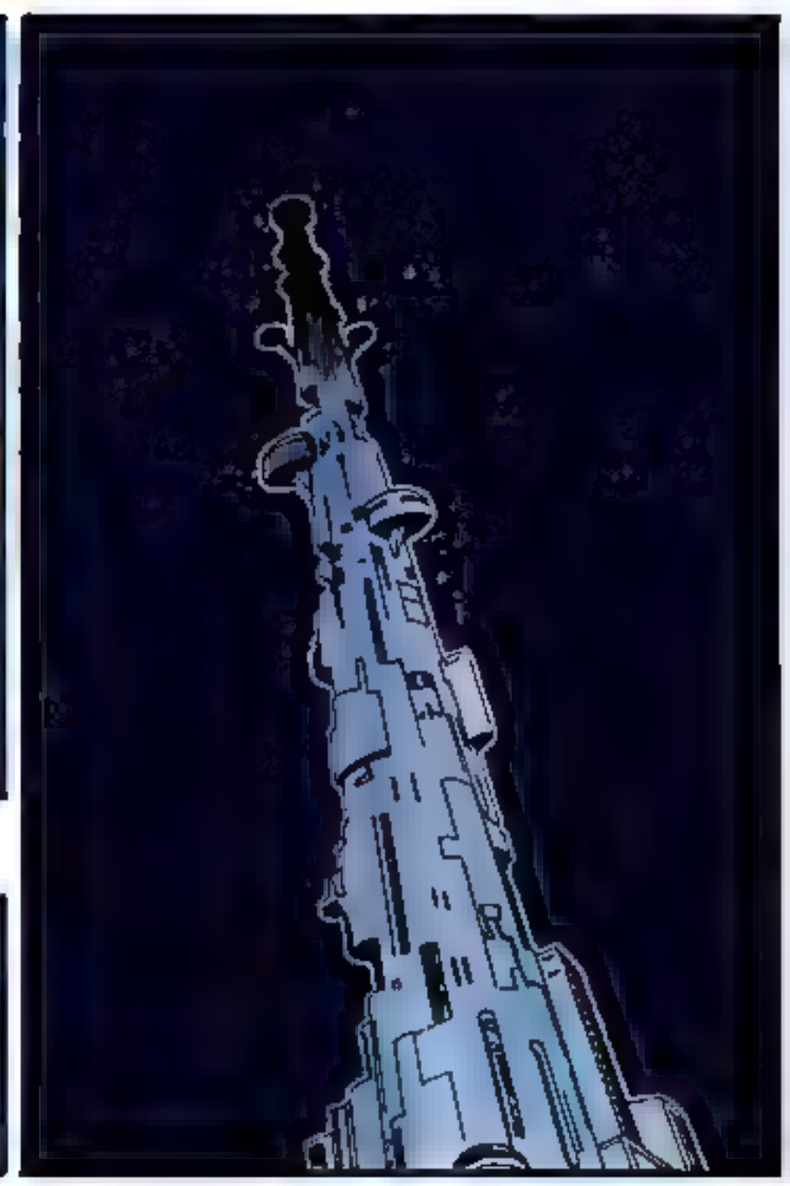

WELL, YOU CAN'T WIN THEM ALL. BETTER LUCK NEXT TIME.
SURE.
OSU! I'M HONORED TO FACE YOU.

...AND MR.ZUSHI, PLEASE HEAD TO ARENA A, ON THE 57TH FLOOR.
OH.

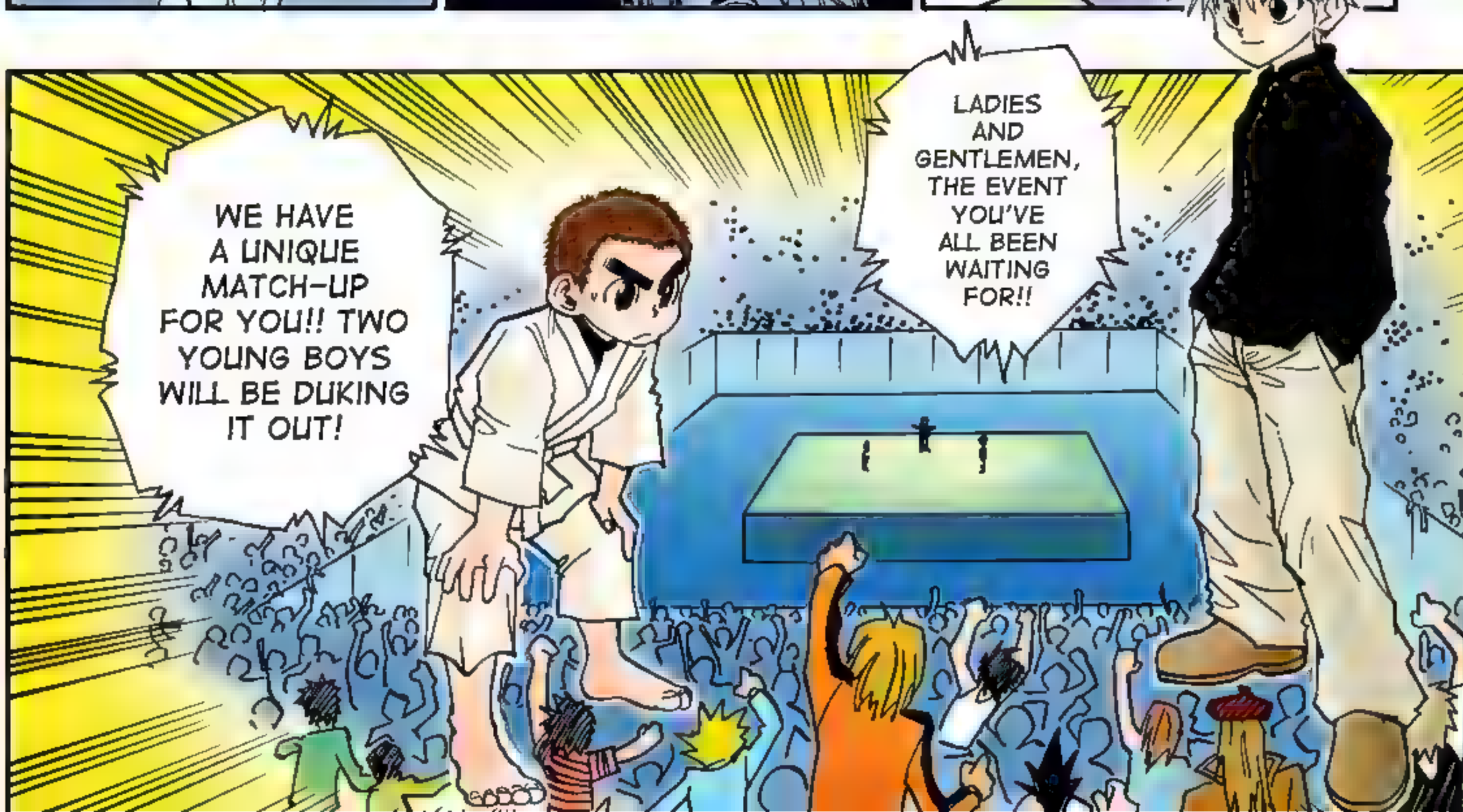
GOOD LUCK YOU GUYS.
YEAH.
I'LL BE GOING.







GON, I'LL WAIT FOR YOU ON THE 60TH FLOOR.
SIGH...
HE REALLY DIDN'T HAVE TO BE SO BLUNT...


WE HAVE A UNIQUE MATCH-UP FOR YOU!! TWO YOUNG BOYS WILL BE DUKING IT OUT!
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THE EVENT YOU'VE ALL BEEN WAITING FOR!!

WE WILL NOW REPLAY THEIR MATCHES ON THE BIG SCREEN!

HOWEVER, DO NOT UNDERESTIMATE THEM!! BOTH HAD STRONG SHOWINGS IN THEIR FIRST ROUNDS AND THEY'VE JUMPED ALL THE WAY UP HERE TO THE 50TH FLOOR!!

MEANWHILE, ZUSHI USED MARTIAL ARTS TO PUNISH HIS OPPONENT, SCORING A FLAWLESS KNOCKOUT AGAINST A 200-PLUS KG. GIANT!!

KILLUA DEFEATED HIS OPPONENT IN ONE BLOW!! ONE CHOP WAS ALL IT TOOK TO KNOCK HIM OUT!

ALL RIGHT! GIVE US YOUR PICKS!!

OKAY, EVERYONE! ARE YOU READY TO PRESS YOUR WAGER BUTTONS?!

THIS IS BAD. KILLUA IS MAD.

PERHAPS HIS KNOWLEDGE OF MARTIAL ARTS GIVES HIM AN EDGE?

OH?! ALL BETS ARE IN AND WE HAVE A FAVORITE, AND IT'S ZUSHI!

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THIS WILL BE A 3 TO 3 MINUTE ROUNDS, POINTS OR KNOCKOUT!

BEGIN!!

HE'S TRAINED LONG AND HARD TO MASTER THAT STANCE.

I SEE. HIS STANCE LEAVES A FEW OPENINGS.

WOW! KILLUA IS BOLDLY WALKING TOWARDS HIS OPPONENT!

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HE HAS NO CHANCE

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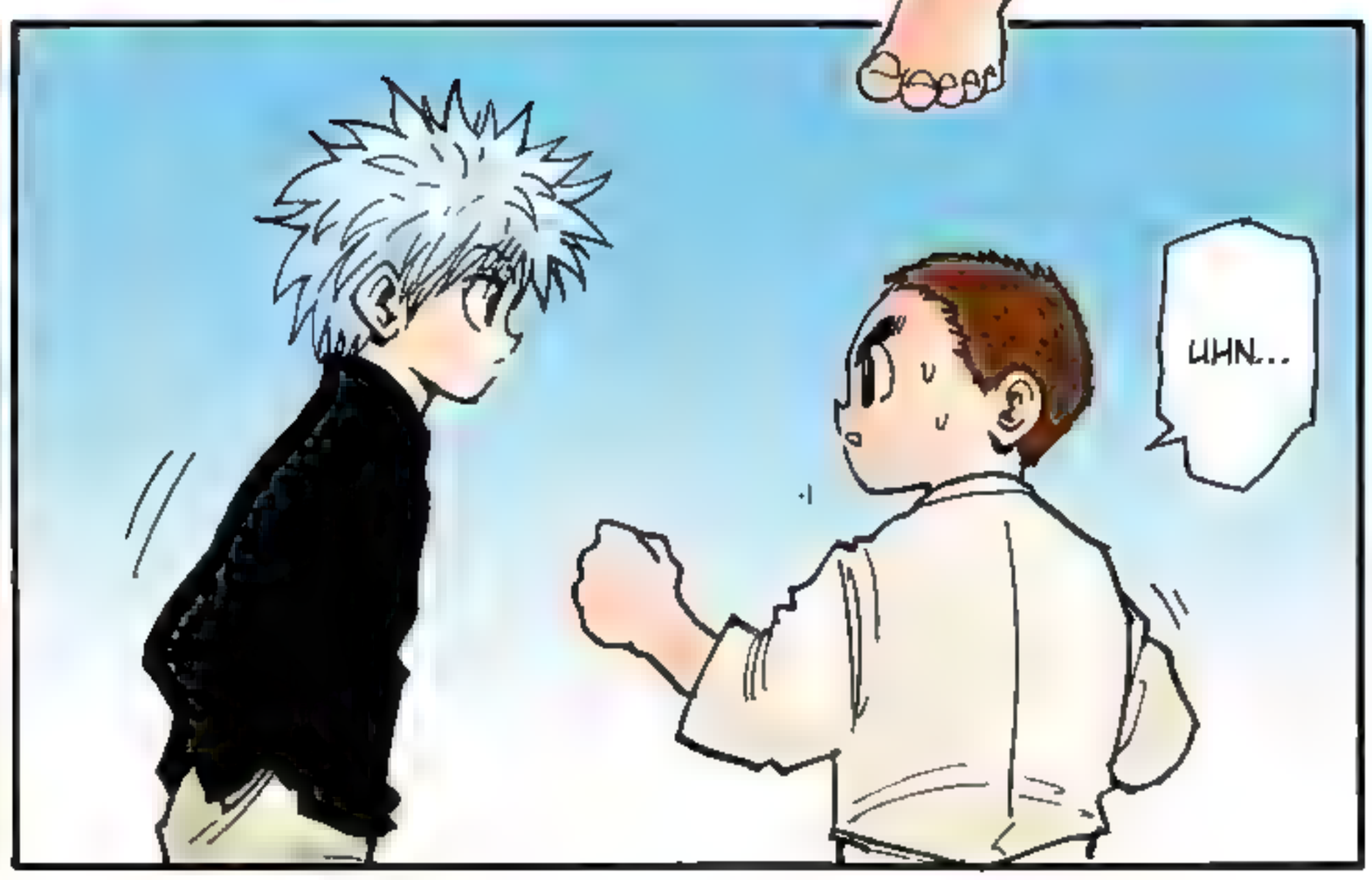
BUT...



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BUT I'M STICKING TO ONE CHOP PER MATCH UNTIL I REACH THE 150TH FLOOR.

SORRY.

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ZUSHI GOT UP! LOOKS LIKE HE'LL CONTINUE!

GUESS I HELD BACK A LITTLE.

FIGHT !!

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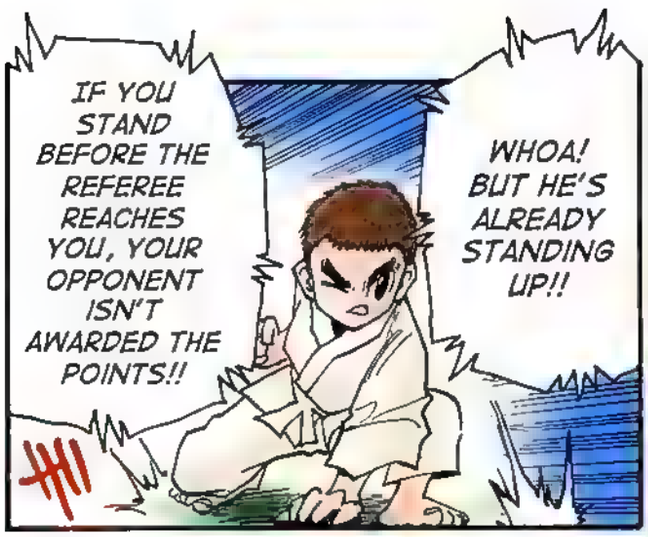
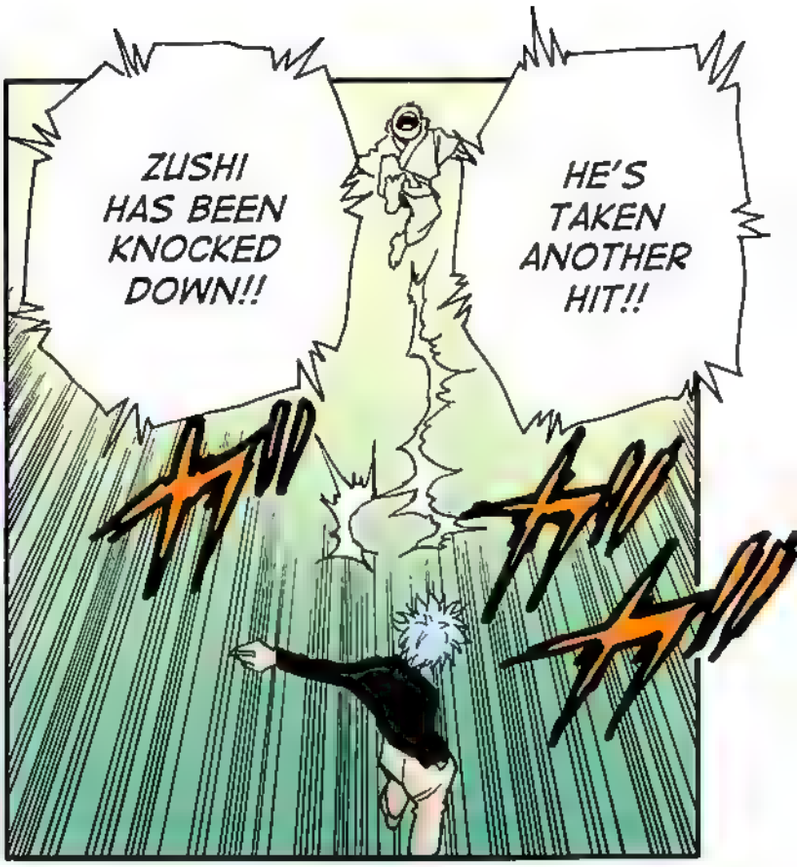
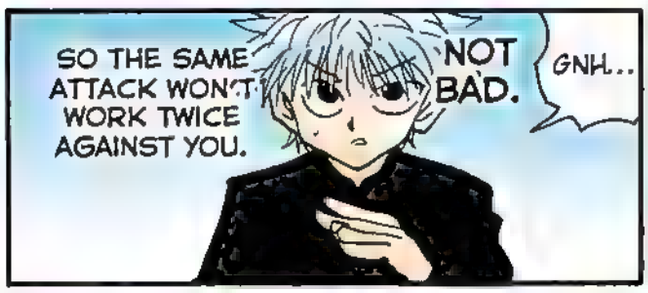
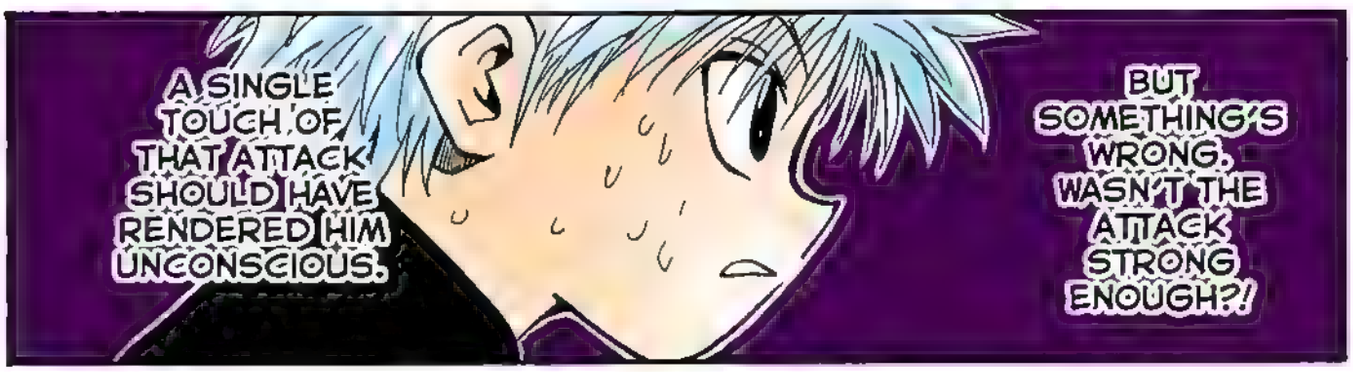
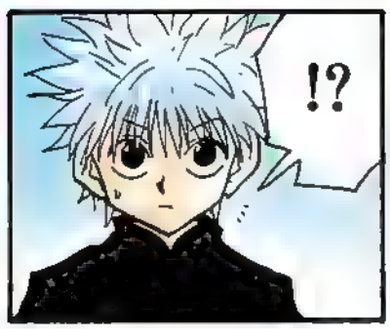

IF YOU STAND BEFORE THE REFEREE REACHES YOU, YOUR OPPONENT ISN'T AWARDED THE POINTS!!
WHOA! BUT HE'S ALREADY STANDING UP!!


ZUSHI HAS BEEN KNOCKED DOWN!!
HE'S TAKEN ANOTHER HIT!!


SO THE SAME ATTACK WON'T WORK TWICE AGAINST YOU.
NOT BAD.
GNH...


A SINGLE TOUCH OF THAT ATTACK SHOULD HAVE RENDERED HIM UNCONSCIOUS.
BUT SOMETHING'S WRONG. WASN'T THE ATTACK STRONG ENOUGH?!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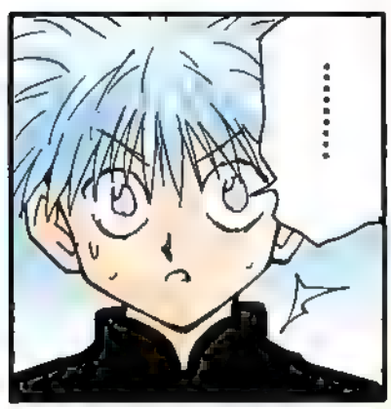
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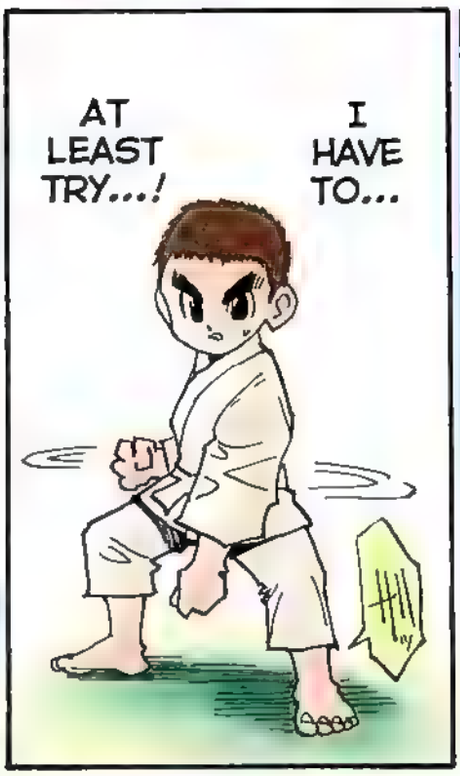
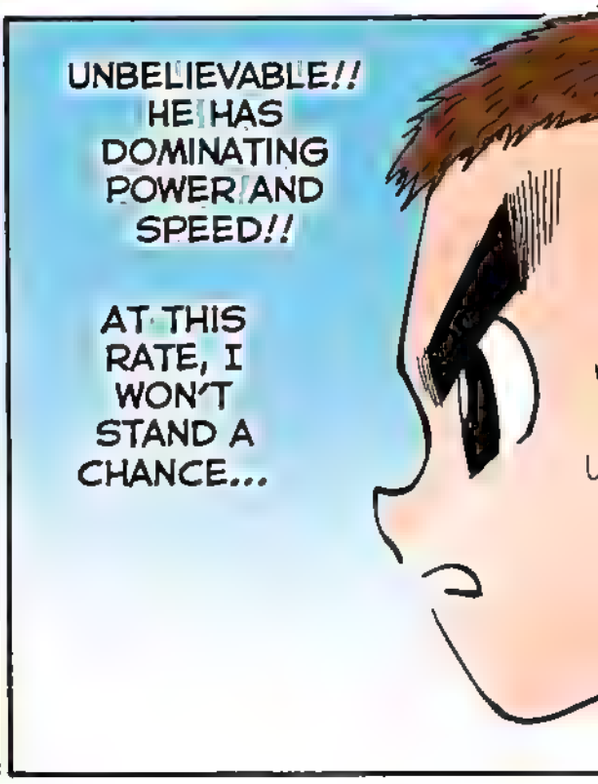
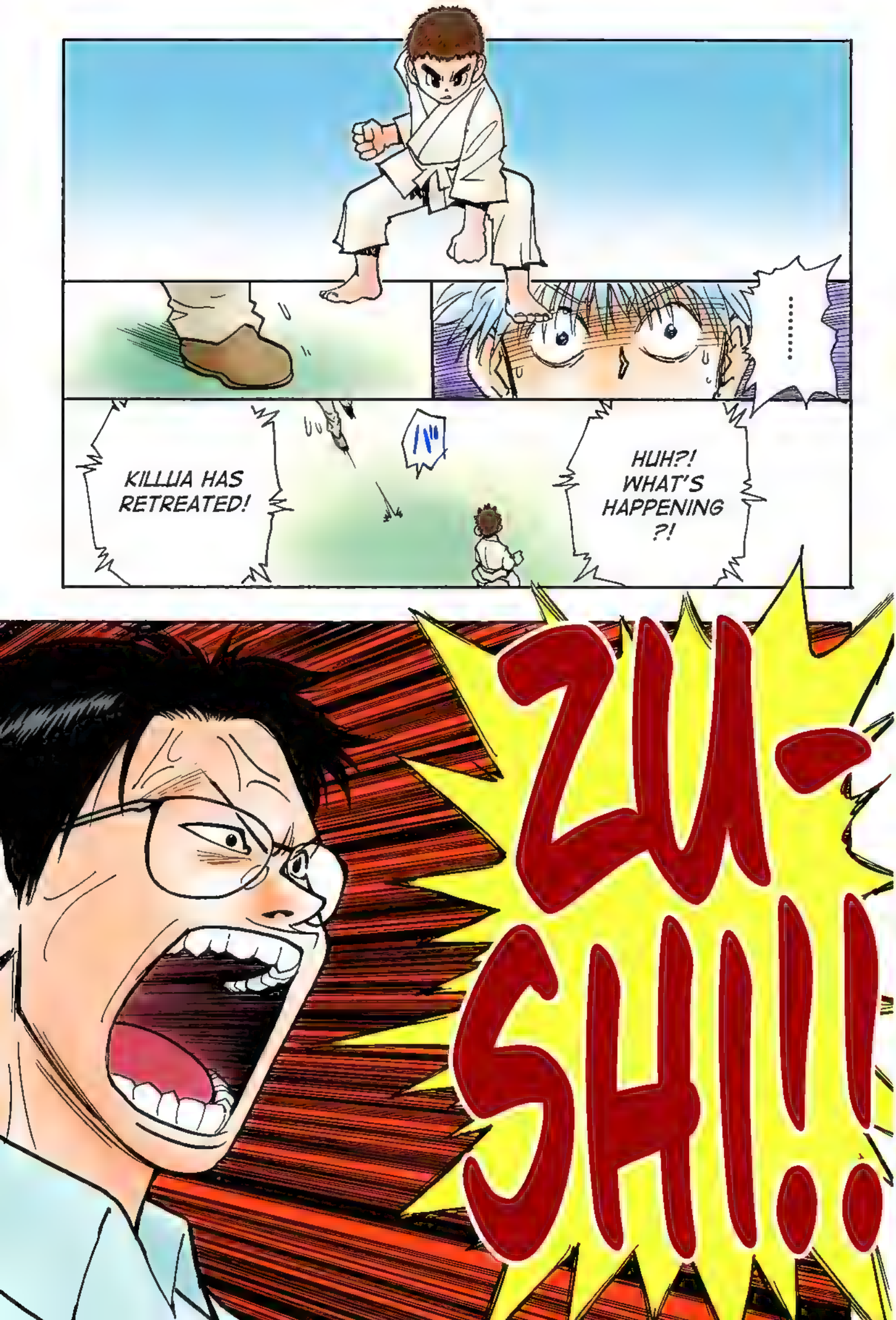

AT LEAST TRY...!
I HAVE TO...


UNBELIEVABLE!! HE HAS DOMINATING POWER AND SPEED!!
AT THIS RATE, I WON'T STAND A CHANCE...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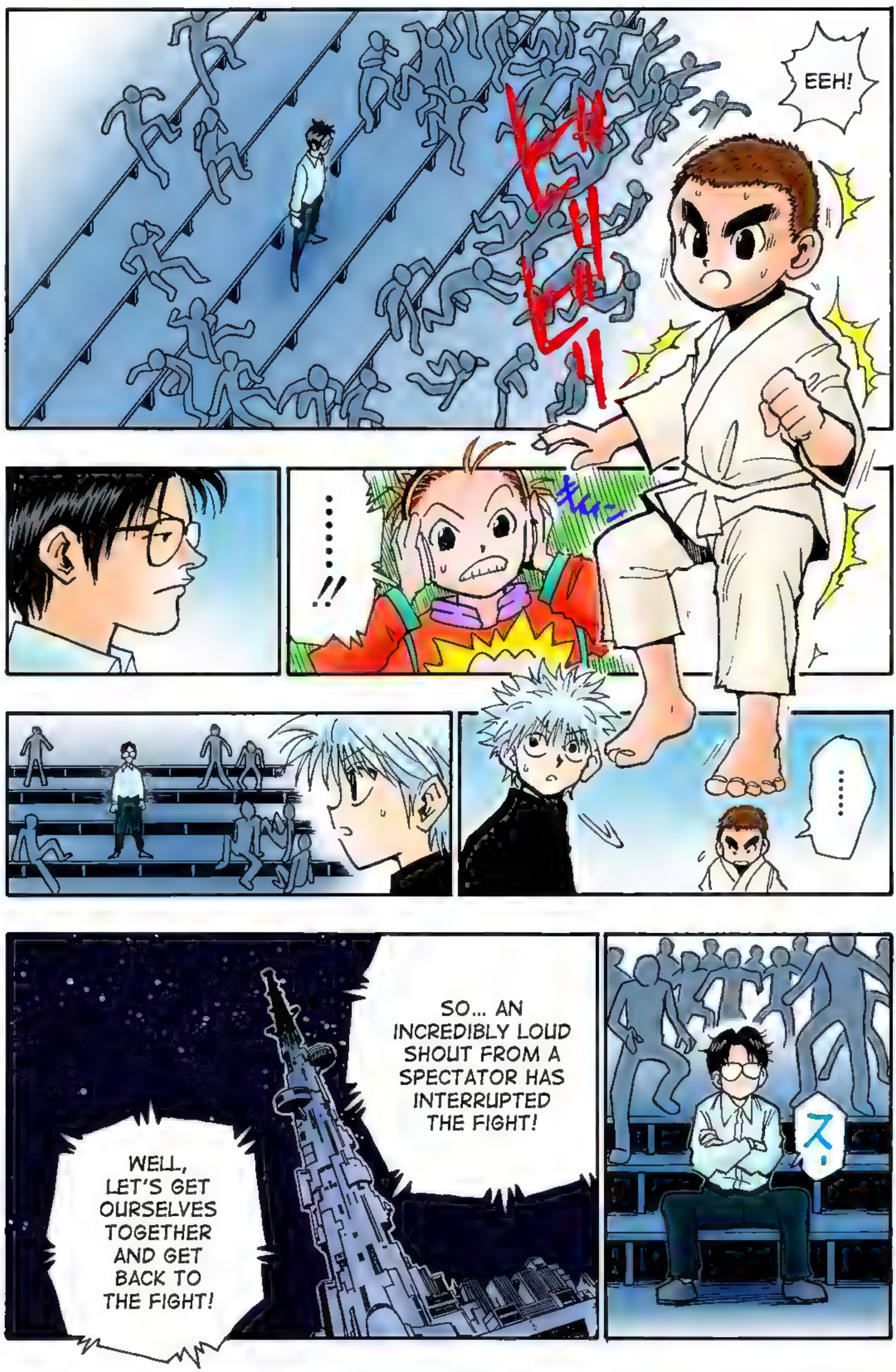
HUH?! WHAT'S HAPPENING ?!
KILLUA HAS RETREATED!
ZU-SHI!!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SO... AN INCREDIBLY LOUD SHOUT FROM A SPECTATOR HAS INTERRUPTED THE FIGHT!
WELL, LET'S GET OURSELVES TOGETHER AND GET BACK TO THE FIGHT!
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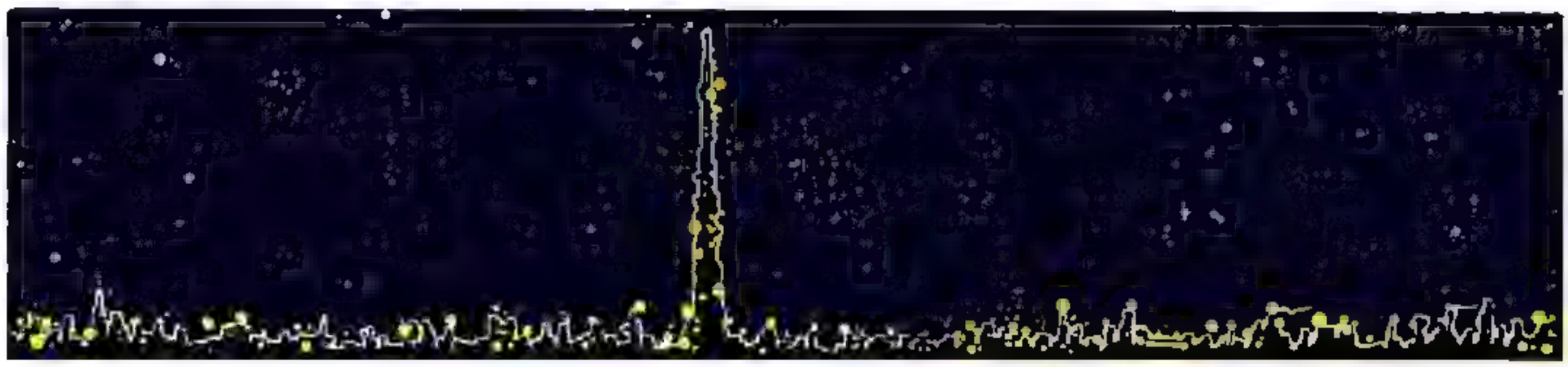

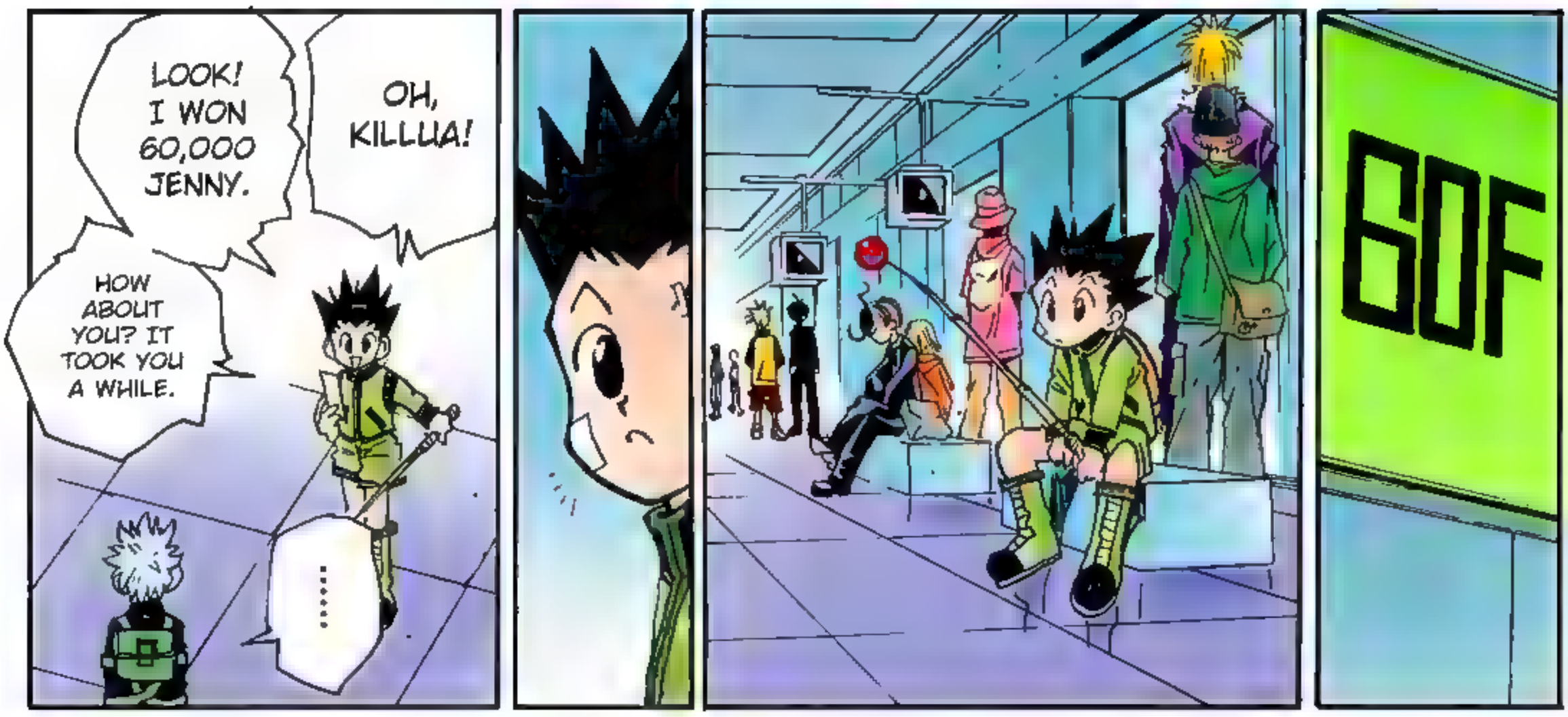
LOOK! I WON 60,000 JENNY.
OH, KILLUA!
HOW ABOUT YOU? IT TOOK YOU A WHILE.
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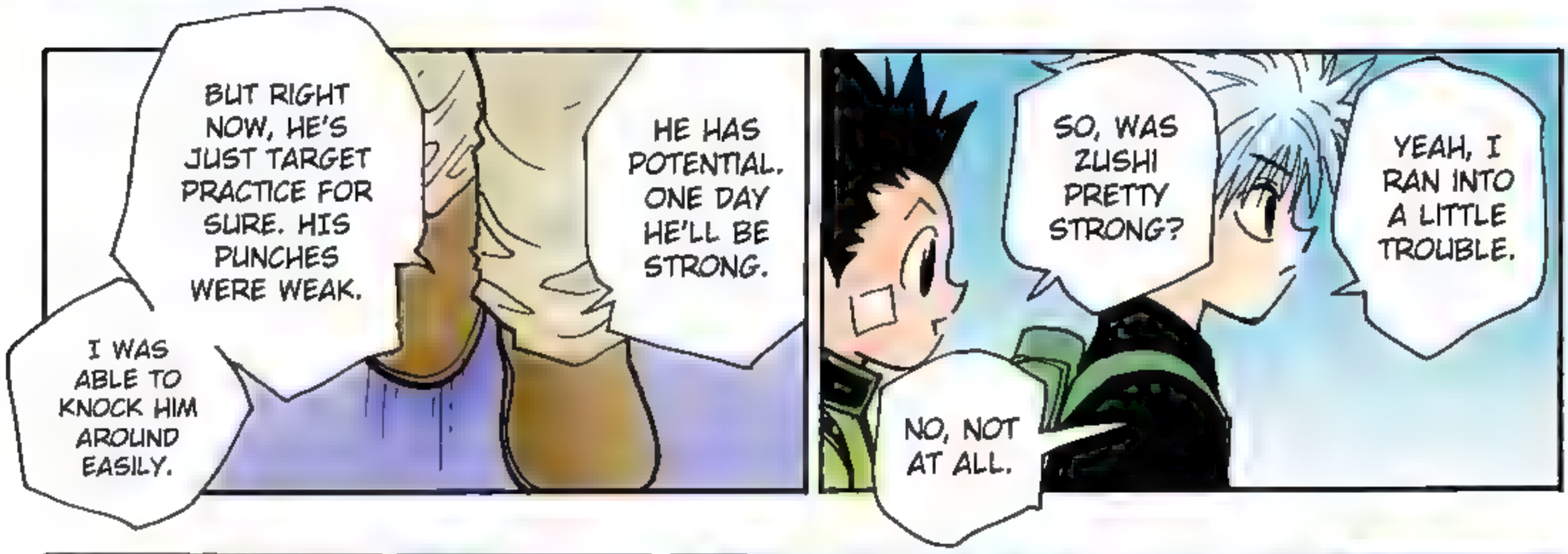
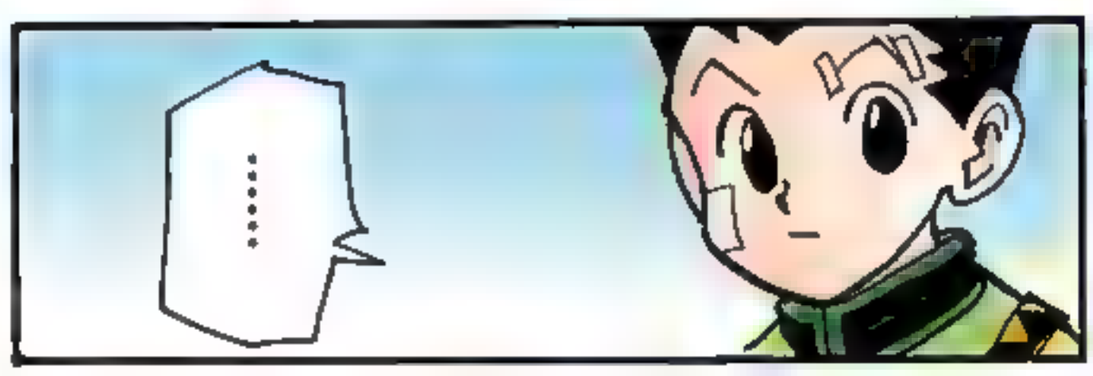

BUT RIGHT NOW, HE'S JUST TARGET PRACTICE FOR SURE. HIS PUNCHES WERE WEAK.
HE HAS POTENTIAL. ONE DAY HE'LL BE STRONG.
I WAS ABLE TO KNOCK HIM AROUND EASILY.
SO, WAS ZUSHI PRETTY STRONG?
YEAH, I RAN INTO A LITTLE TROUBLE.
NO, NOT AT ALL.

ALSO...
BUT I COULDN'T DEFEAT HIM.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT WAS, BUT IT FELT DANGEROUS.
IT MUST BE SOME KIND OF TECHNIQUE!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...I GOT A CREEPY FEELING, LIKE WHEN I FACED MY BROTHER.
WHEN HE CHANGED HIS STANCE...
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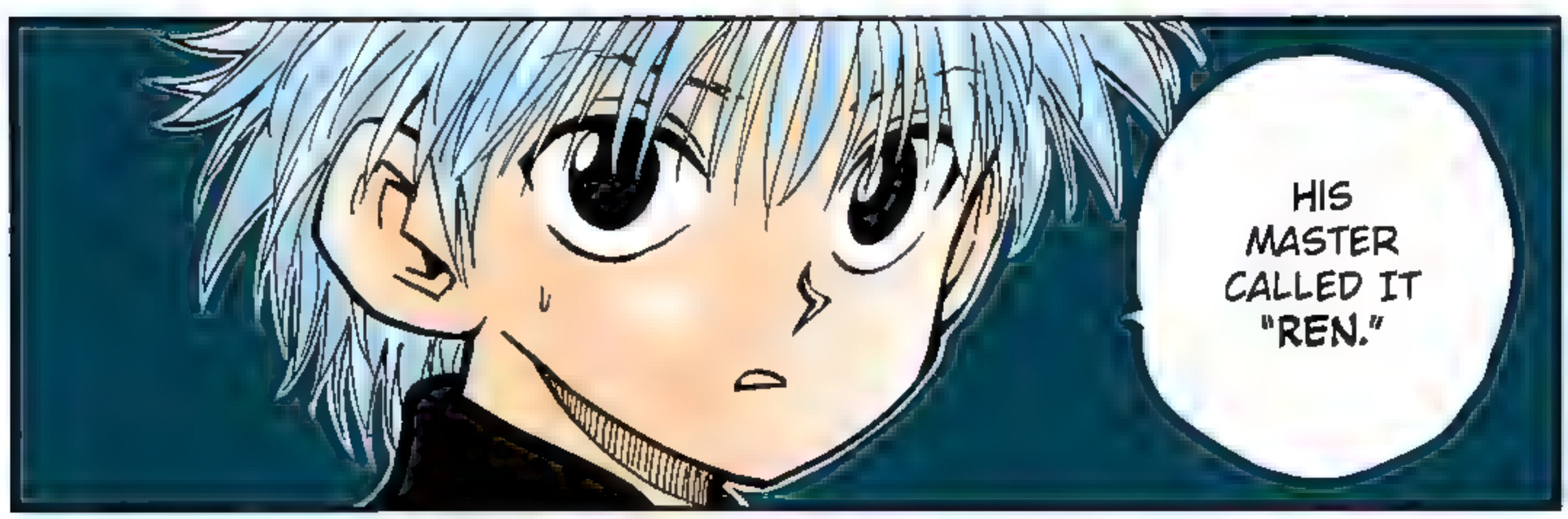
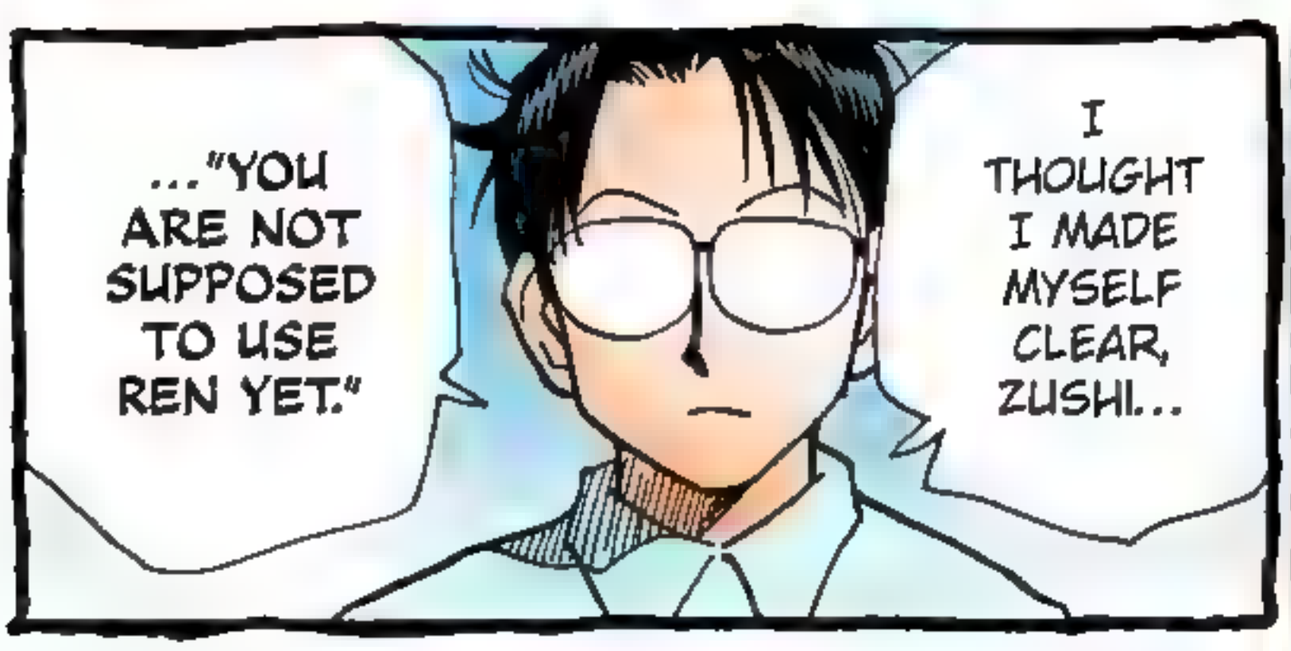

HIS MASTER CALLED IT "REN."


..."YOU ARE NOT SUPPOSED TO USE REN YET."
I THOUGHT I MADE MYSELF CLEAR, ZUSHI...

HE WAS SO STRONG... I COULDN'T HELP MYSELF...
FORGIVE ME!!

PLEASE FORGIVE ME, MASTER!

AND IT'S TO MAKE IT TO THE TOP FLOOR OF THIS TOWER.

BUT YOUR TRUE GOAL LIES BEYOND THIS, REMEMBER?

IT'S OKAY TO WANT TO WIN.

I KNOW.

OSU!

FOCUS TOO MUCH ON SIMPLY WINNING A FIGHT AND YOU'LL REDUCE YOUR OWN POTENTIAL.

OSU!

YOU MUST BE PREPARED TO LOSE A THOUSAND TIMES WHILE YOU'RE HERE.

GON... CHANGE OF PLANS.

...AND THE TOP FLOOR.

"REN"...

RIGHT!

WE'RE GONNA SET OUR SIGHTS ON REACHING THE TOP FLOOR!

ACTUALLY, THAT WAS MY GOAL ALL ALONG...

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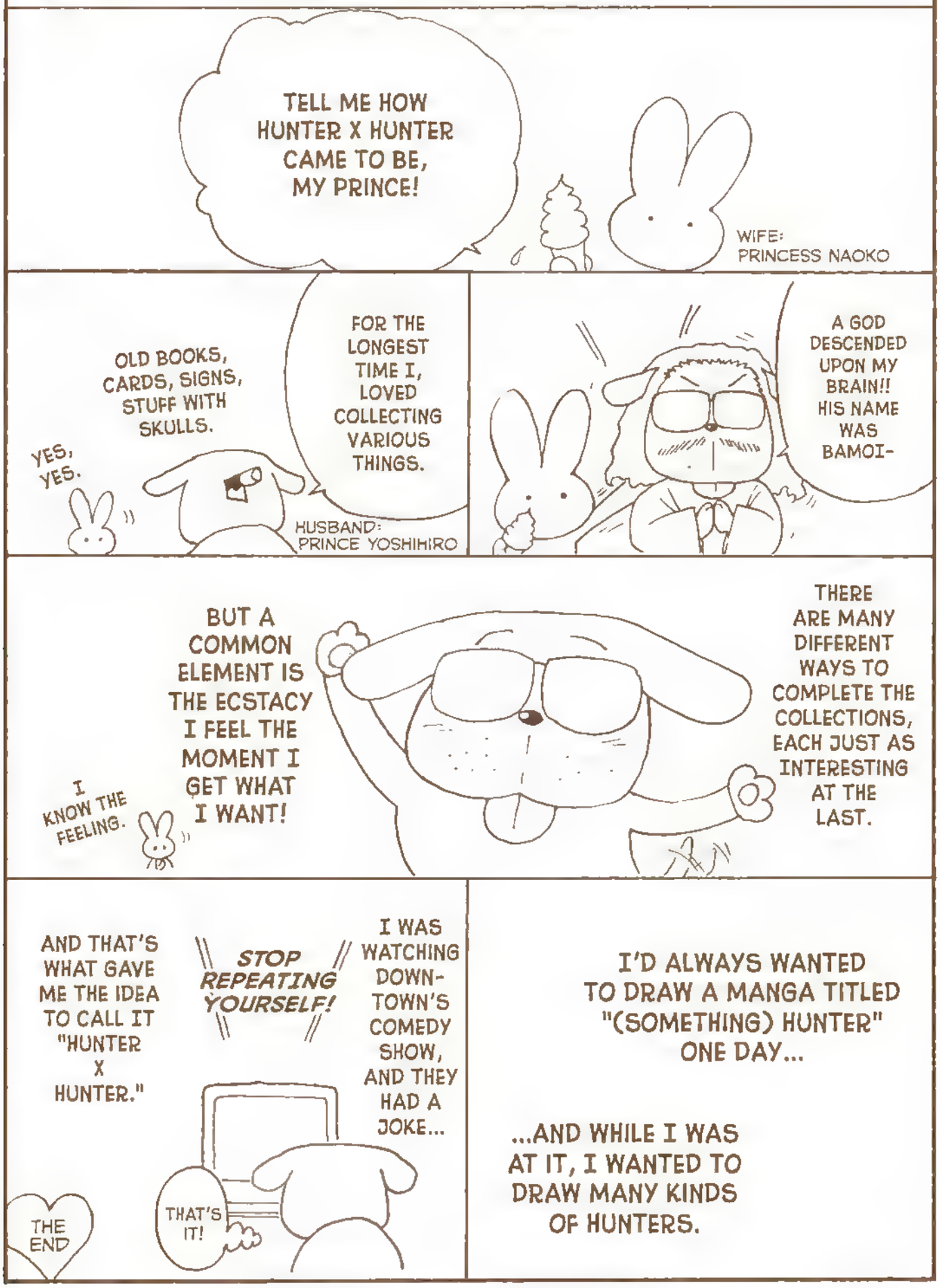
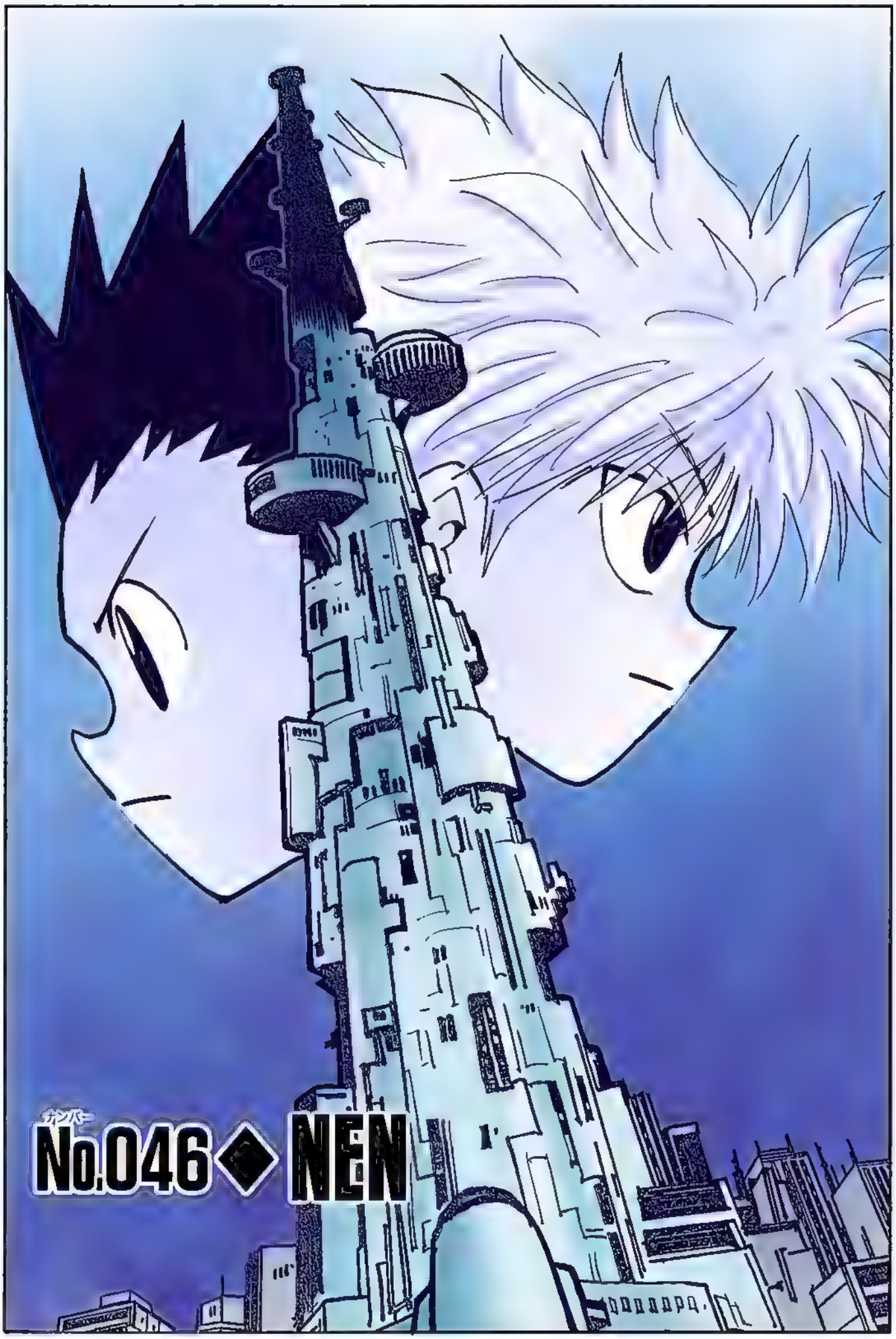
DRAWN BY PRINCE YOSHIHIRO TOGASHI

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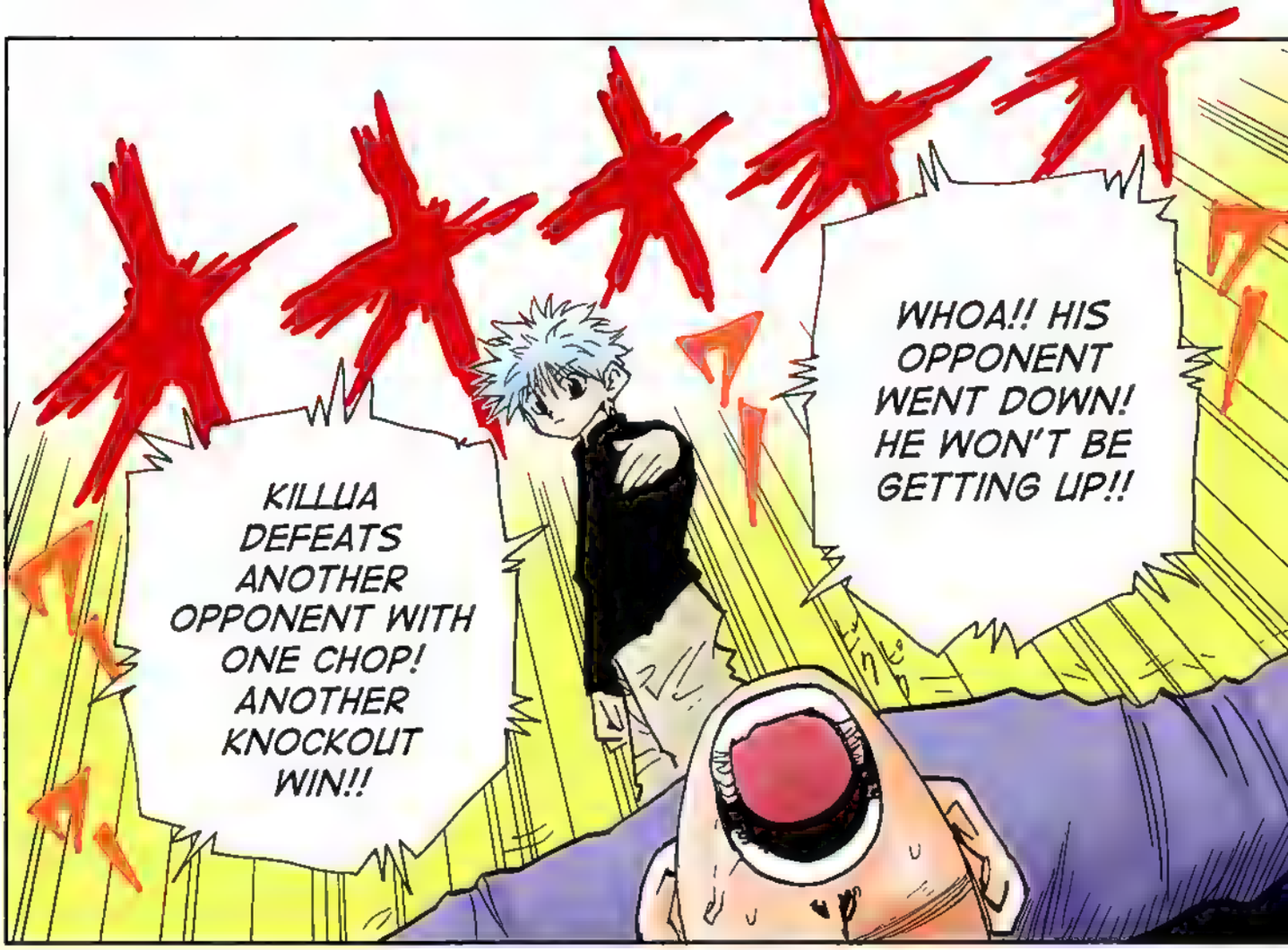
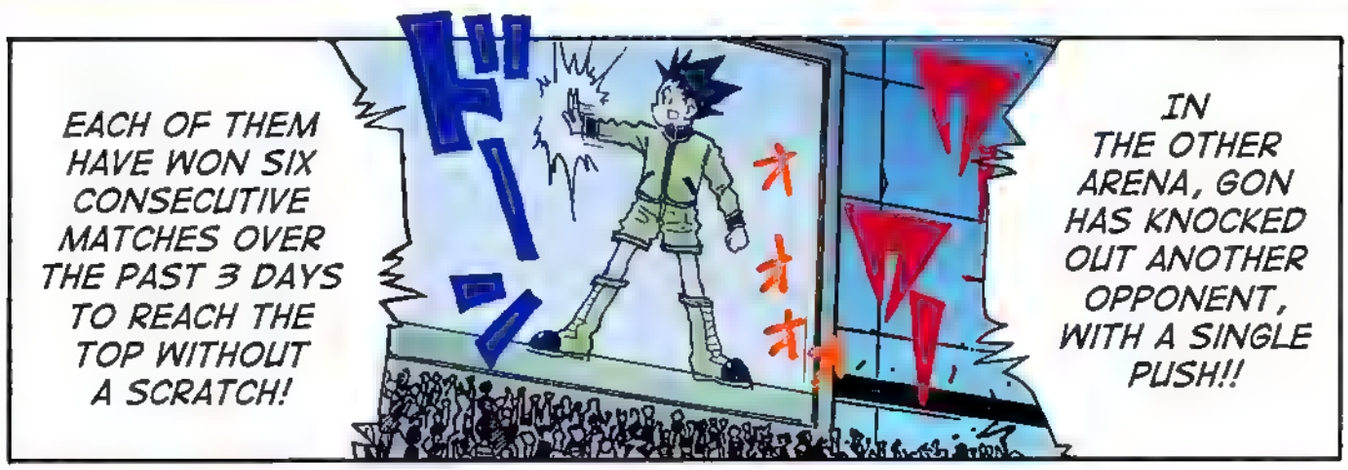

KILLUA DEFEATS ANOTHER OPPONENT WITH ONE CHOP! ANOTHER KNOCKOUT WIN!!
WHOA!! HIS OPPONENT WENT DOWN! HE WON'T BE GETTING UP!!


EACH OF THEM HAVE WON SIX CONSECUTIVE MATCHES OVER THE PAST 3 DAYS TO REACH THE TOP WITHOUT A SCRATCH!
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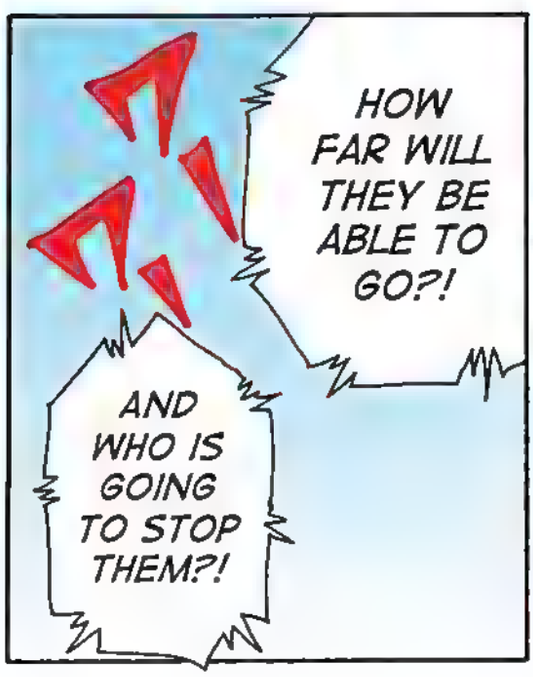
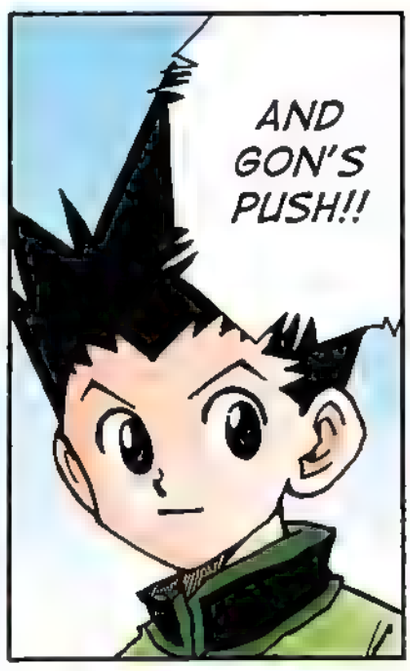
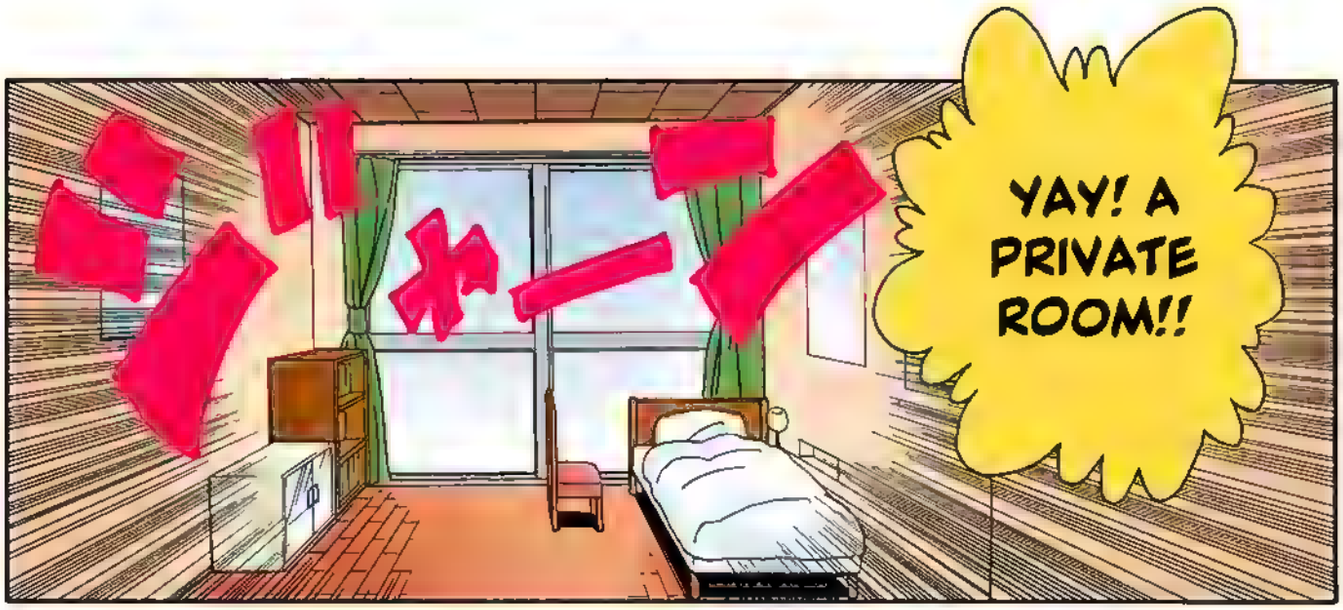
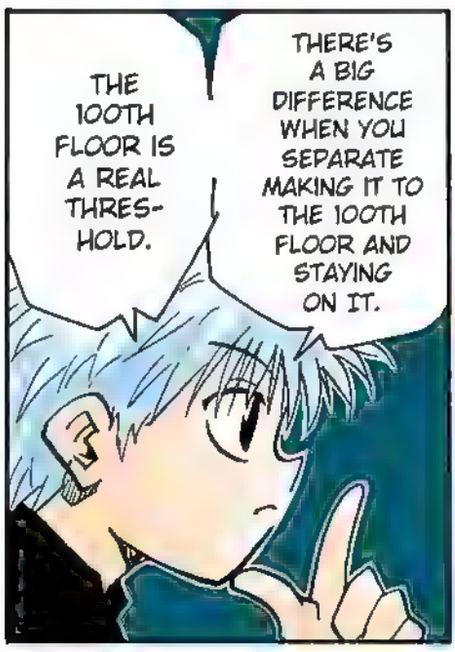
IN THE OTHER ARENA, GON HAS KNOCKED OUT ANOTHER OPPONENT, WITH A SINGLE PUSH!!

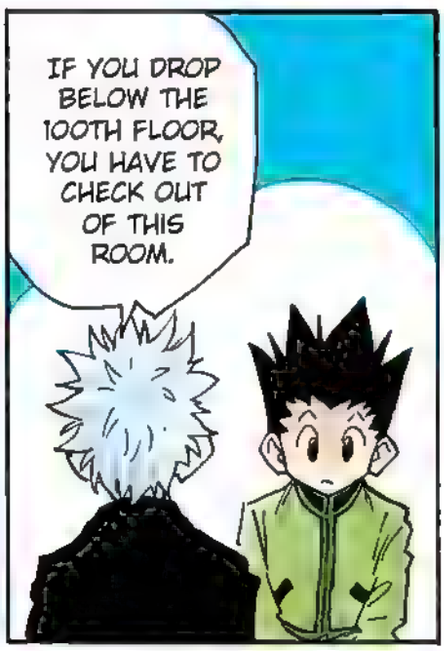

HOW FAR WILL THEY BE ABLE TO GO?!
AND WHO IS GOING TO STOP THEM?!


AND GON'S PUSH!!

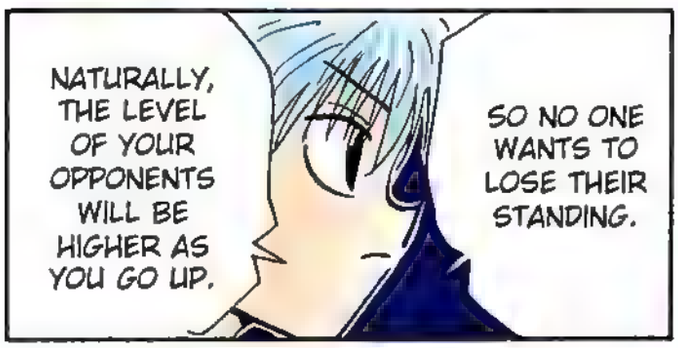
KILLUA'S SHARP CHOP!


YAY! A PRIVATE ROOM!!


THE 100TH FLOOR IS A REAL THRES-HOLD.
THERE'S A BIG DIFFERENCE WHEN YOU SEPARATE MAKING IT TO THE 100TH FLOOR AND STAYING ON IT.

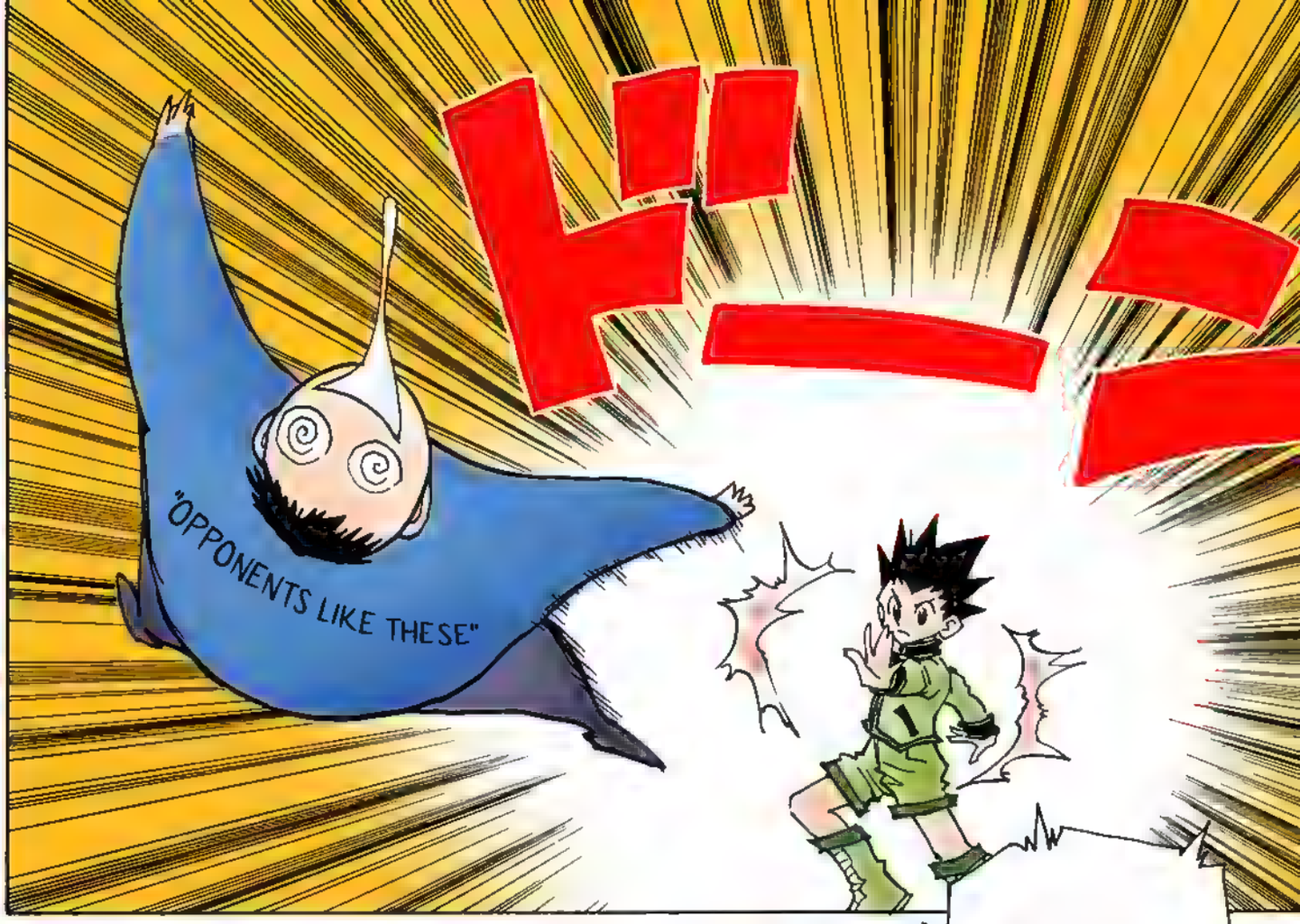

IF YOU DROP BELOW THE 100TH FLOOR, YOU HAVE TO CHECK OUT OF THIS ROOM.

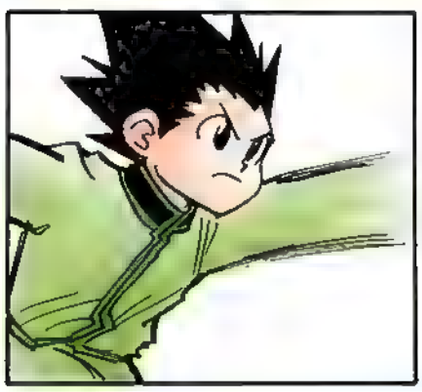
I WOULDN'T BE TOO SURE ABOUT THAT.
WE WON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT MONEY OR LODGING ANYMORE.

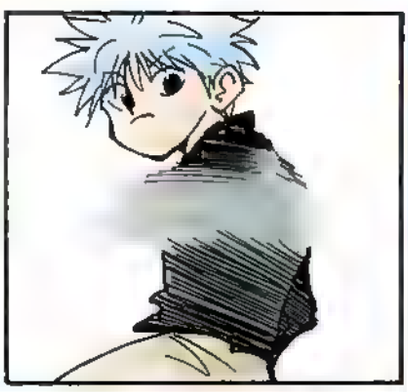

NATURALLY, THE LEVEL OF YOUR OPPONENTS WILL BE HIGHER AS YOU GO UP.
SO NO ONE WANTS TO LOSE THEIR STANDING.

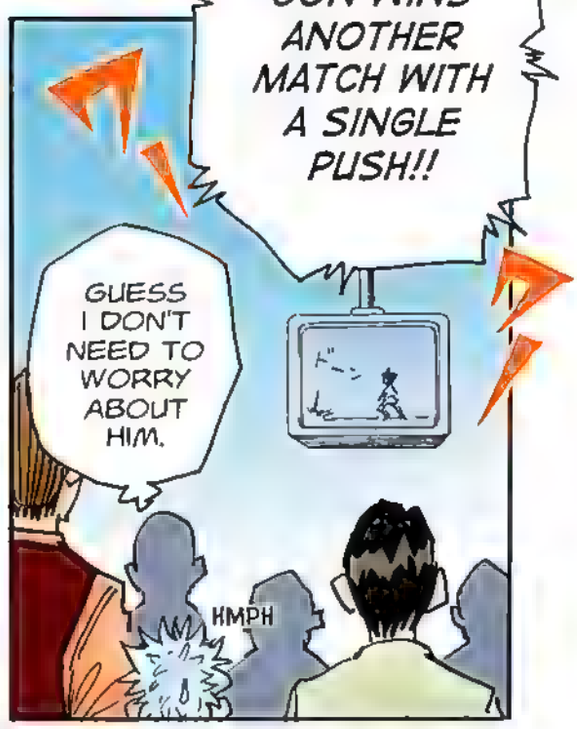
PEOPLE WILL DO ANYTHING IT TAKES TO STAY ON THE TOP FLOOR.
BEYOND THE 100TH FLOOR, YOU GET SPECIAL TREATMENT.

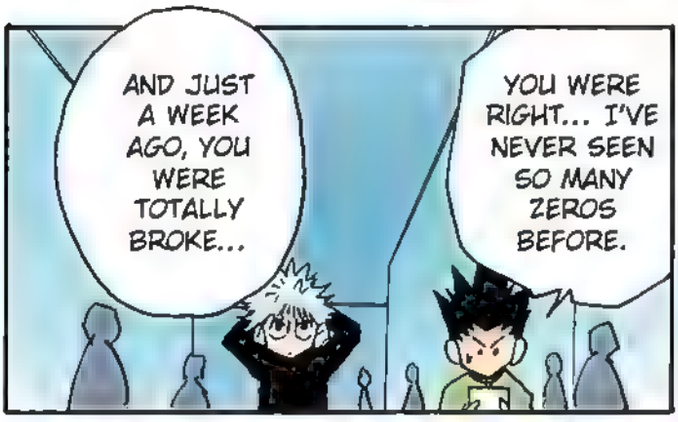
SO KEEP YOUR GUARD UP.
SOME COMPETITORS WILL BEND THE RULES WITH ALL KINDS OF NASTY TRICKS.

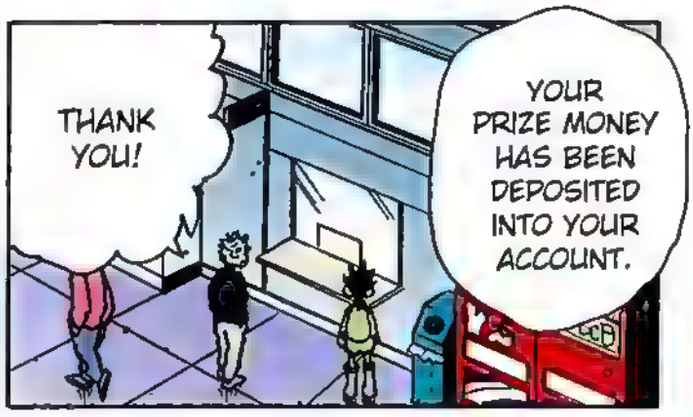

"OPPONENTS LIKE THESE"

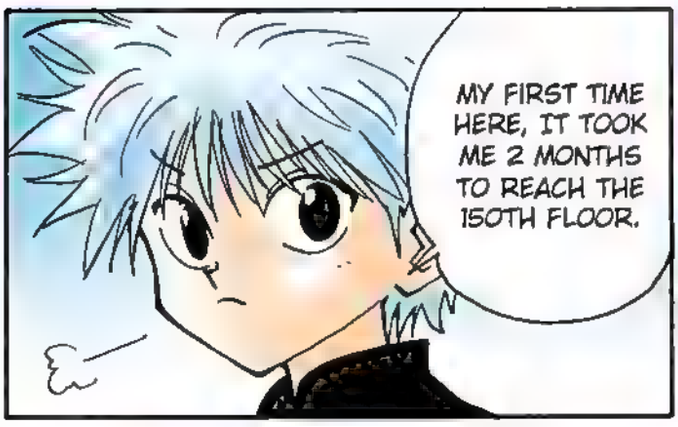


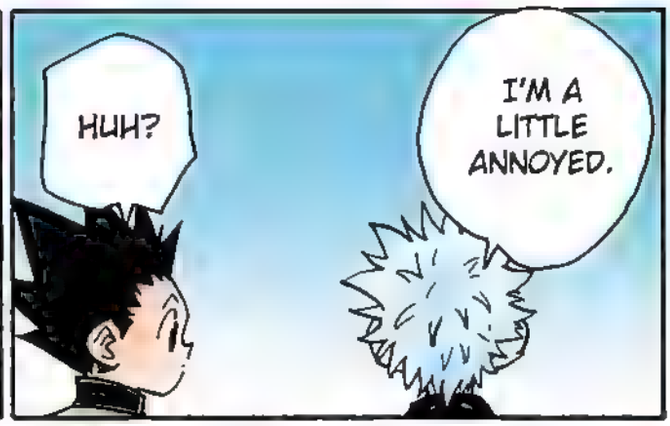


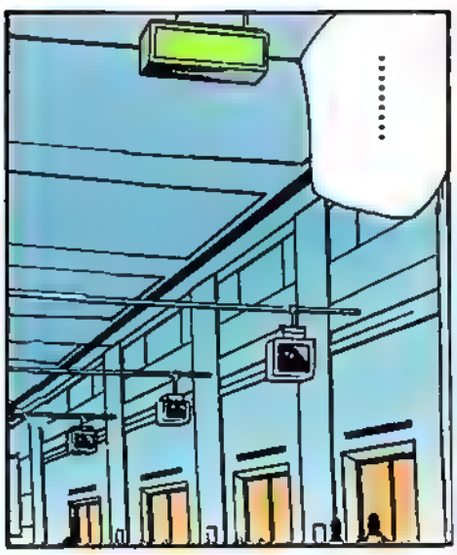

GON WINS ANOTHER MATCH WITH A SINGLE PUSH!!
GUESS I DON'T NEED TO WORRY ABOUT HIM.
HMPH


AND JUST A WEEK AGO, YOU WERE TOTALLY BROKE...
YOU WERE RIGHT... I'VE NEVER SEEN SO MANY ZEROS BEFORE.


THANK YOU!
YOUR PRIZE MONEY HAS BEEN DEPOSITED INTO YOUR ACCOUNT.


MY FIRST TIME HERE, IT TOOK ME 2 MONTHS TO REACH THE 150TH FLOOR.


HUH?
I'M A LITTLE ANNOYED.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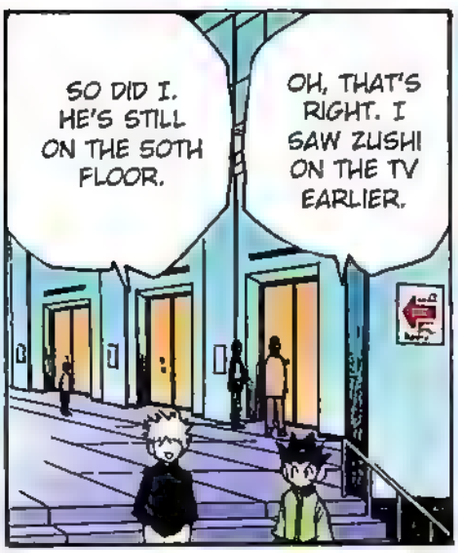
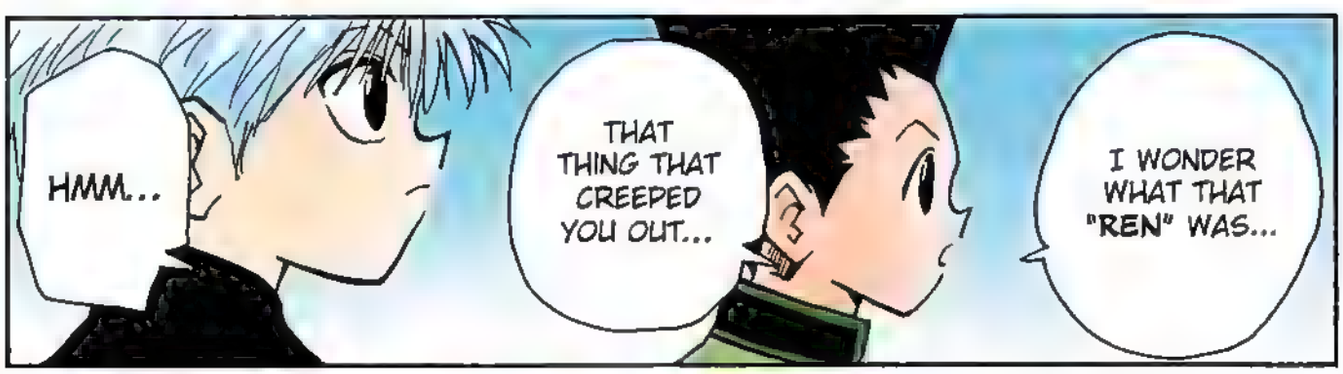
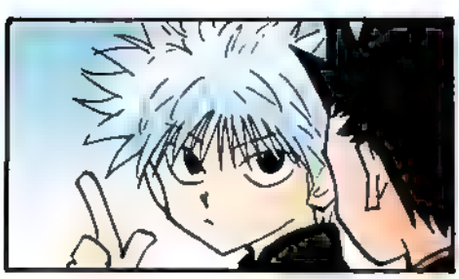
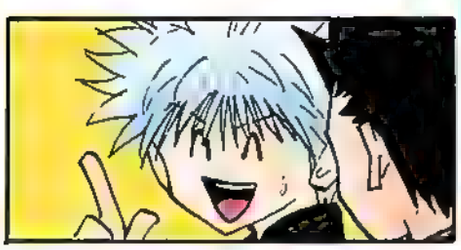

SO DID I. HE'S STILL ON THE 50TH FLOOR.
OH, THAT'S RIGHT. I SAW ZUSHI ON THE TV EARLIER.

WELL... THAT'S TRUE.
BUT YOU WERE ONLY 6 BACK THEN, RIGHT?

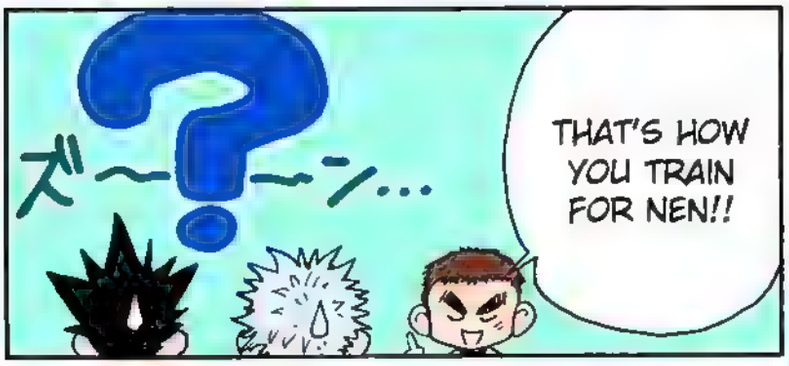

HMM...
THAT THING THAT CREEPED YOU OUT...
I WONDER WHAT THAT "REN" WAS...





WOULDN'T IT BE FASTER TO JUST ASK ZUSHI?
MAYBE WHEN WE FIGHT OPPONENTS HIGHER UP, WE'LL-

THE FOUR EXERCISES ARE FUNDAMENTAL TO ALL MARTIAL ARTS, TO INSTILL DISCIPLINE AND DEVELOP CHARACTER.
"REN" IS ONE OF THE FOUR EXERCISES!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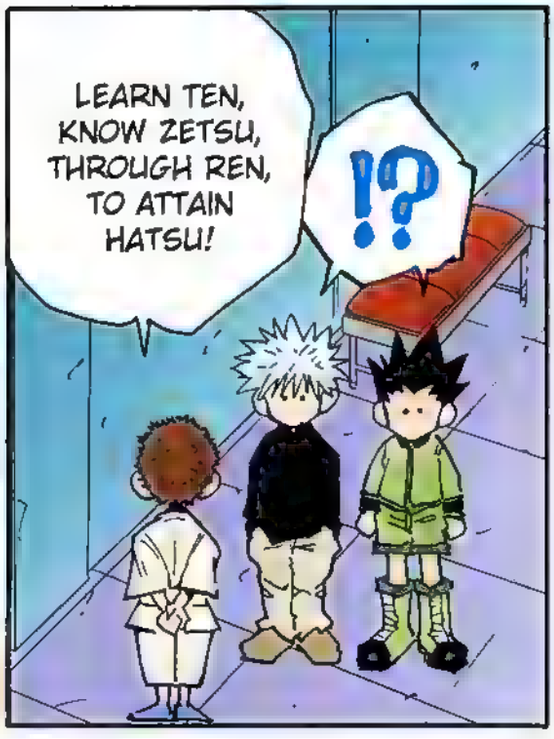
THAT'S HOW YOU TRAIN FOR NEN!!


LEARN TEN, KNOW ZETSU, THROUGH REN, TO ATTAIN HATSU!
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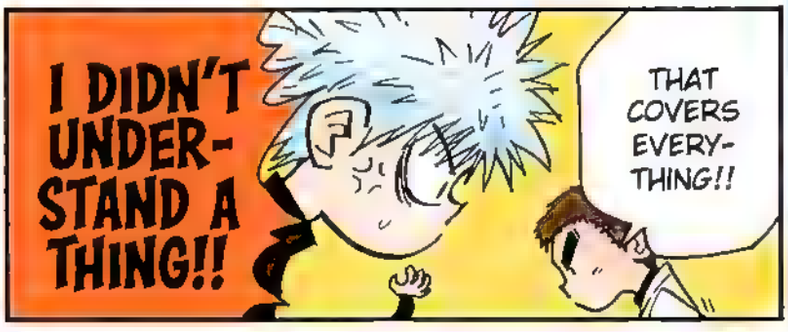
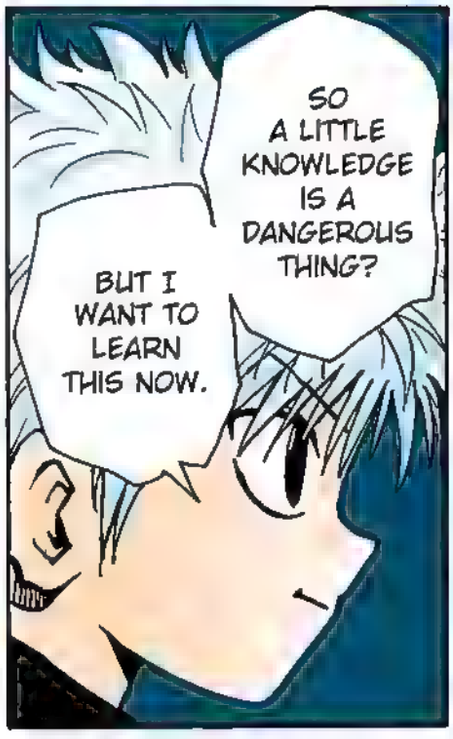

I DIDN'T UNDER-STAND A THING!!
THAT COVERS EVERY-THING!!

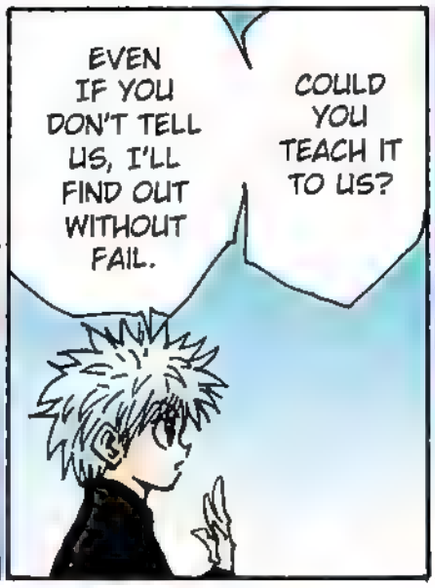

SO A LITTLE KNOWLEDGE IS A DANGEROUS THING?
BUT I WANT TO LEARN THIS NOW.

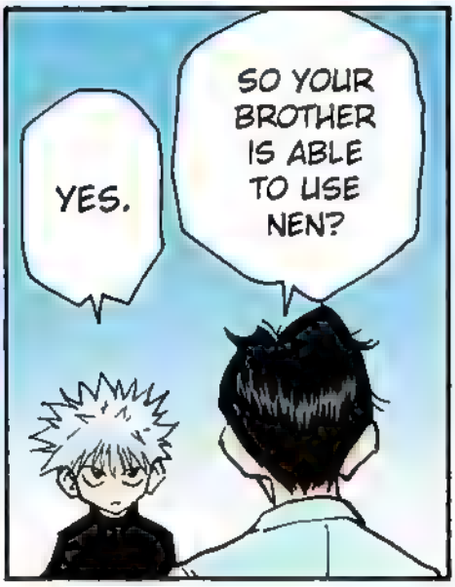
GON, KILLUA.
THERE'S AN OLD PROVERB THAT WARNS, "A SMATTERING OF KNOWLEDGE MAY LEAVE ONE WALLOWING IN GREATER ARROGANCE."

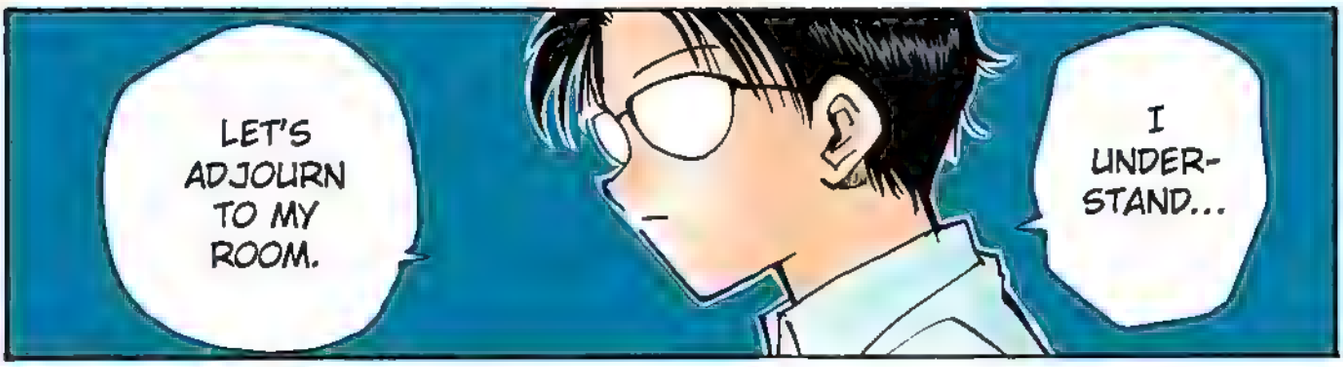
ARE YOU SUFFICIENTLY QUALIFIED ENOUGH TO TEACH OTHERS?
ZUSHI!
AHH...

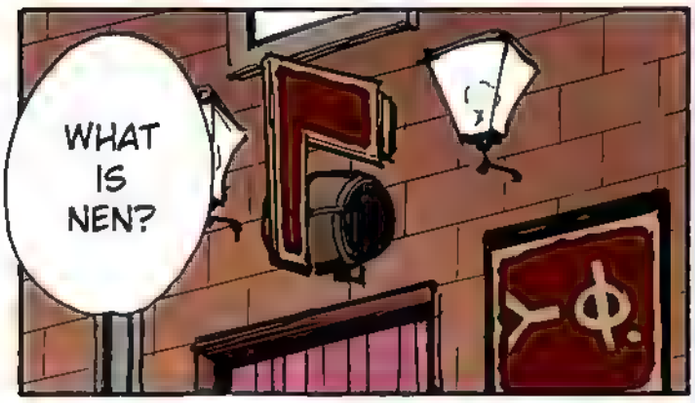
I'M CONVINCED IT'S THE SECRET BEHIND MY BROTHER'S POWERS!

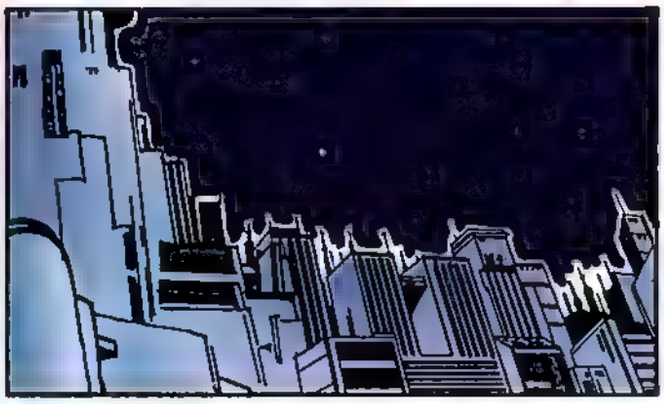
I WANT TO UNDERSTAND IT FULLY RATHER THAN JUST GETTING IT HALFWAY.
AND IF YOU'RE WILLING TO TEACH ME...
...I WON'T TRY TO FIGURE IT OUT MYSELF.

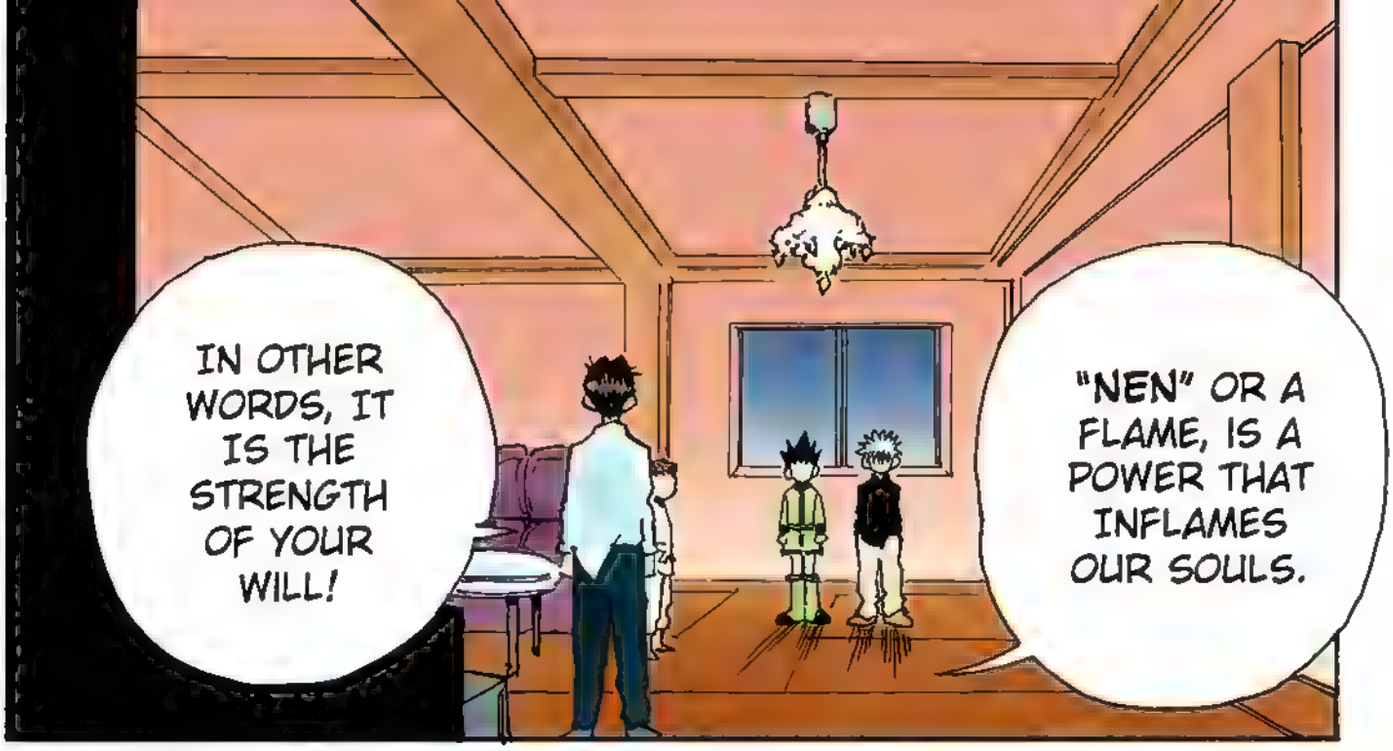

COULD YOU TEACH IT TO US?
EVEN IF YOU DON'T TELL US, I'LL FIND OUT WITHOUT FAIL.


SO YOUR BROTHER IS ABLE TO USE NEN?
YES.

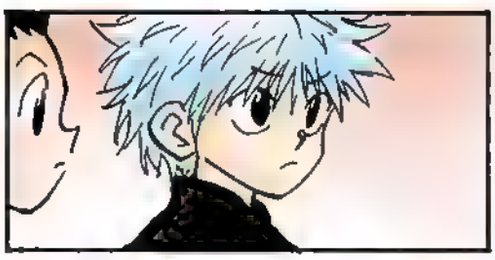

I UNDER-STAND...
LET'S ADJOURN TO MY ROOM.


WHAT IS NEN?



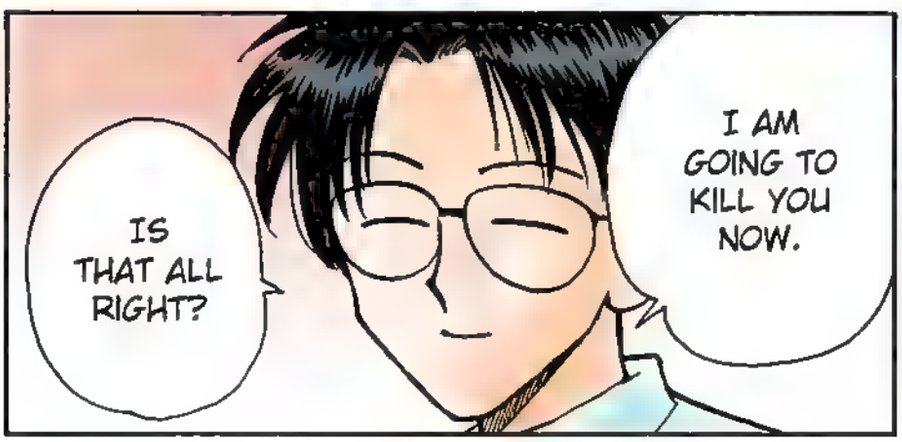

IN OTHER WORDS, IT IS THE STRENGTH OF YOUR WILL!
"NEN" OR A FLAME, IS A POWER THAT INFLAMES OUR SOULS.

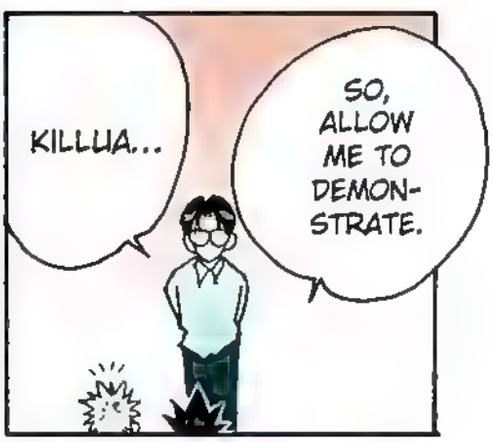
KILLUA, ZUSHI TEMPERED HIS "REFUSAL TO LOSE," DURING HIS FIGHT WITH YOU.

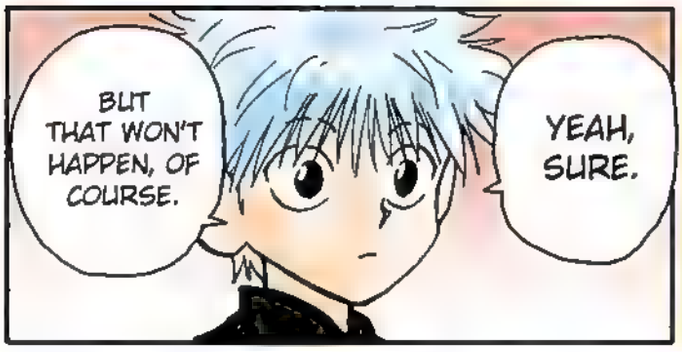


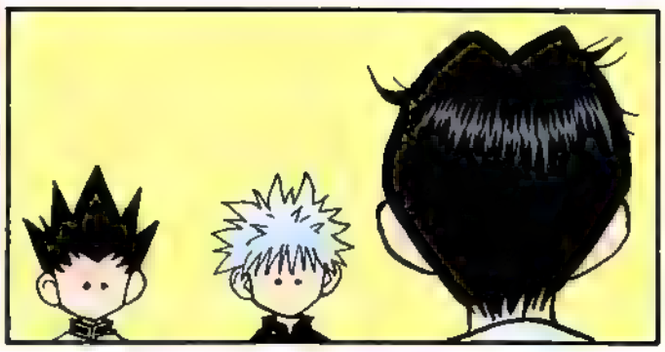
"REN" MEANS TO TEMPER, TO INTENSIFY THAT WILL.
...AND "HATSU" MEANS TO RELEASE IT INTO ACTION.

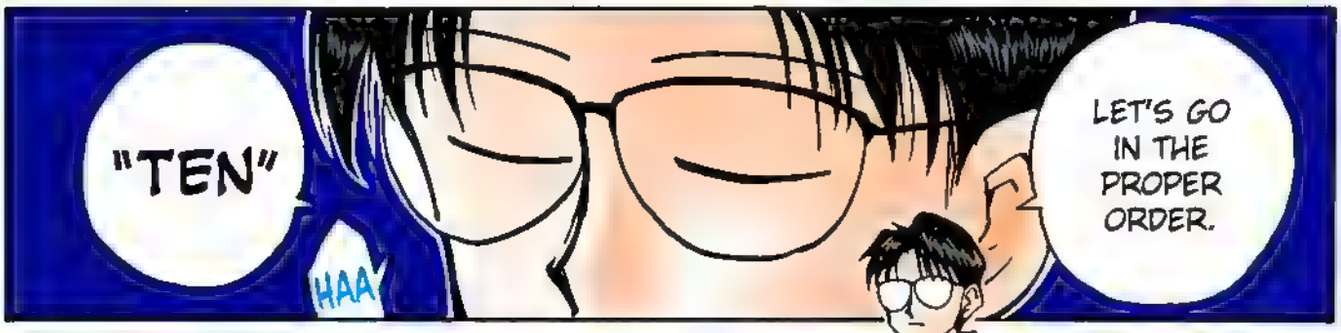
THE 4 EXERCISES ARE PART OF YOUR TRAINING TO STRENGTHEN YOUR WILL.
"TEN", FOCUS THE MIND ON A SINGLE POINT AND REFLECT UPON THE SELF AND DETERMINE THE GOAL.
"ZETSU" MEANS TO EXPRESS OR PUT IT INTO WORDS.


I AM GOING TO KILL YOU NOW.
IS THAT ALL RIGHT?


SO, ALLOW ME TO DEMON-STRATE.
KILLUA...


BUT THAT WON'T HAPPEN, OF COURSE.
YEAH, SURE.




"TEN"
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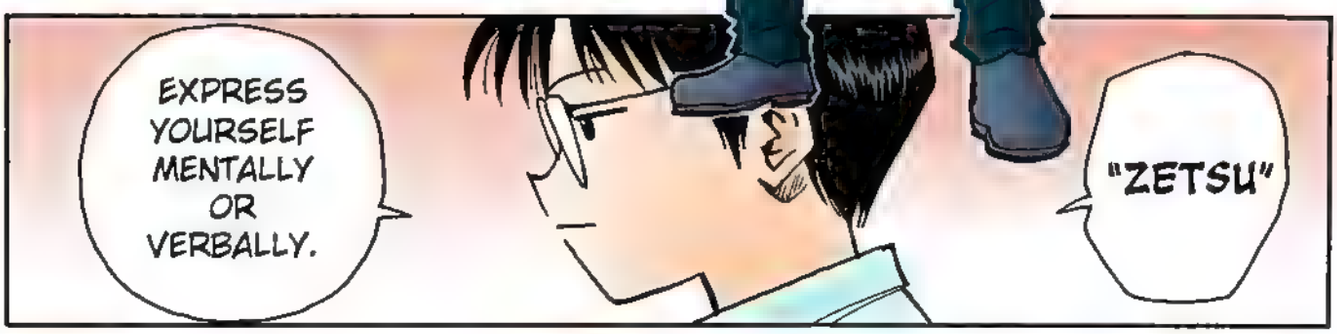
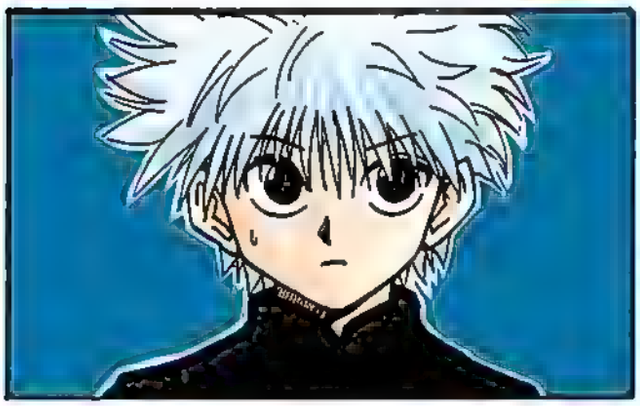
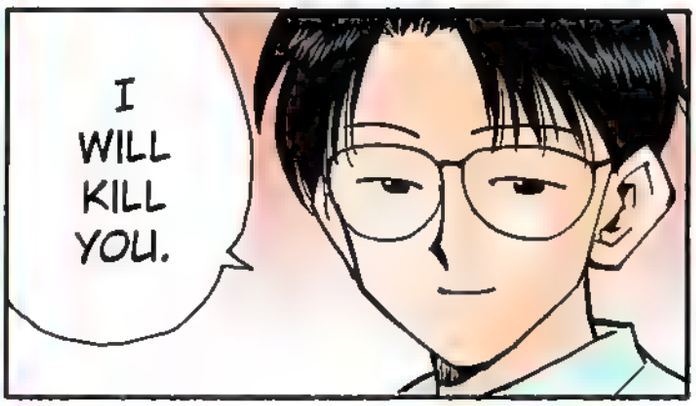
LET'S GO IN THE PROPER ORDER.


EXPRESS YOURSELF MENTALLY OR VERBALLY.
"ZETSU"




I WILL KILL YOU.

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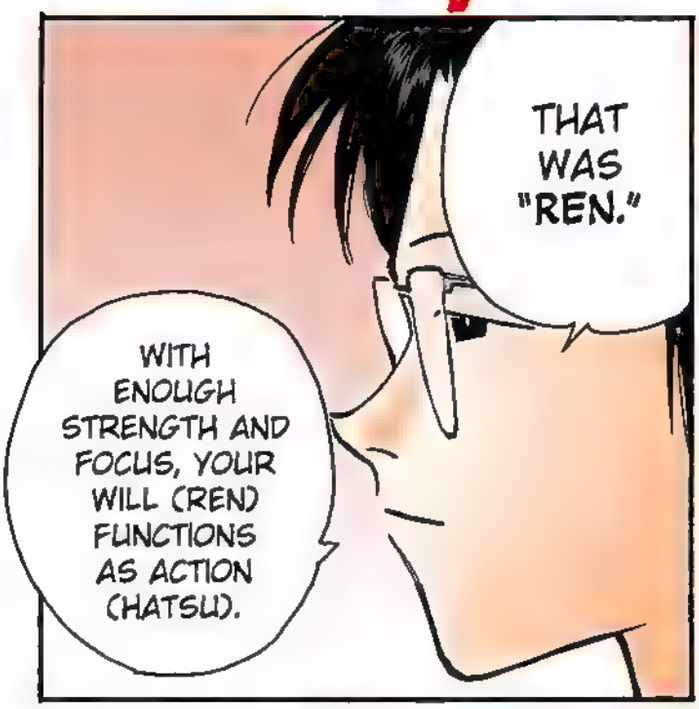
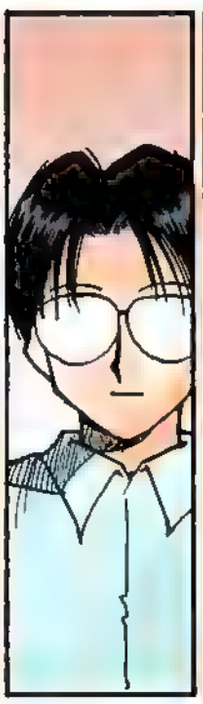
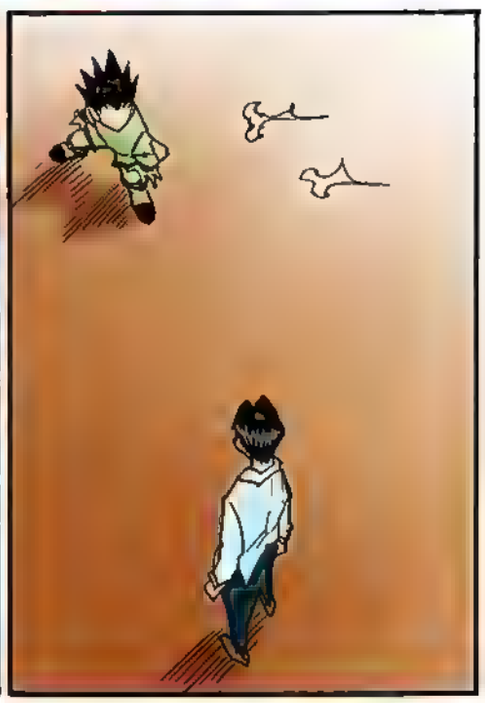
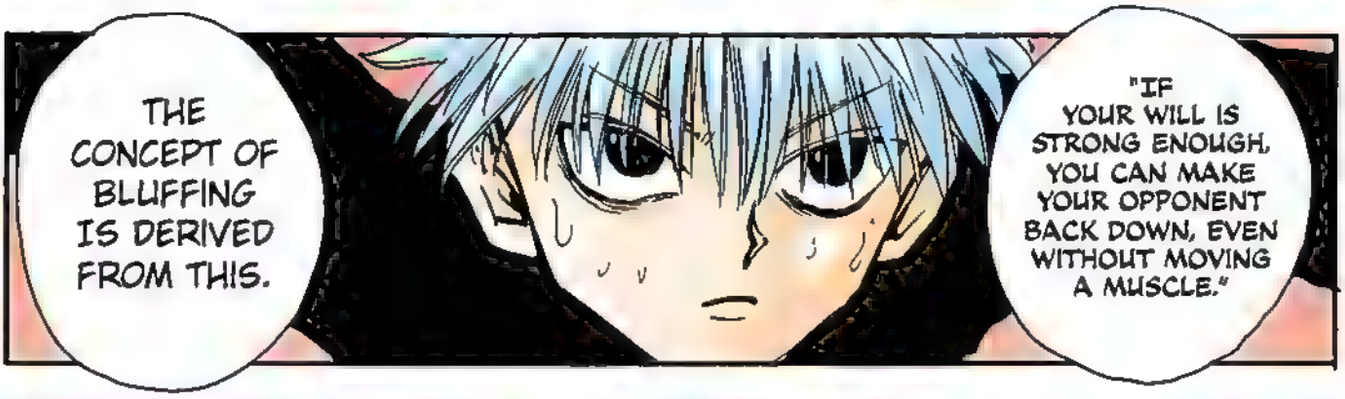
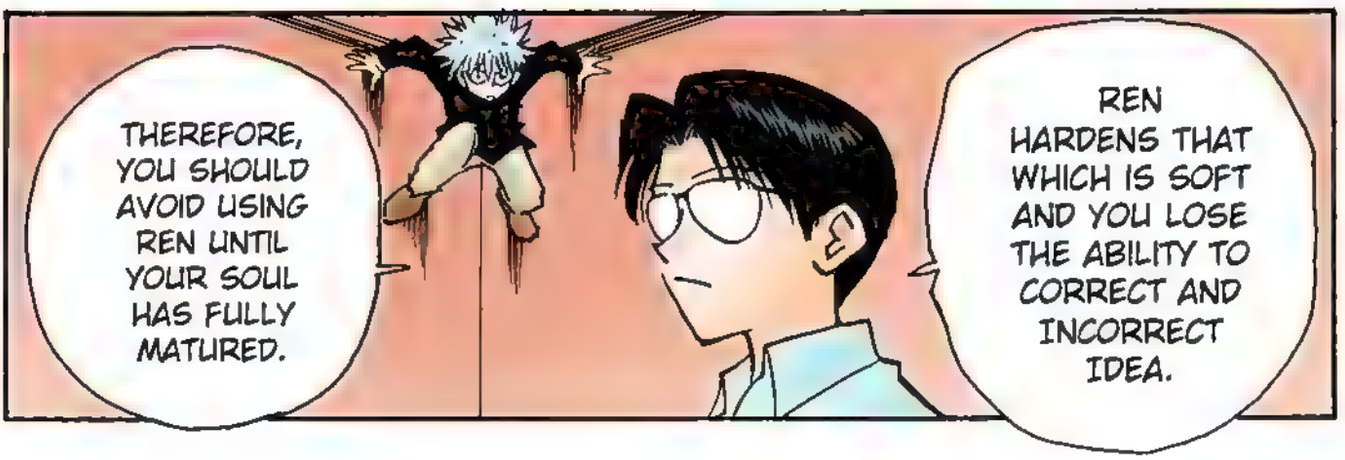

THAT WAS "REN."
WITH ENOUGH STRENGTH AND FOCUS, YOUR WILL (REN) FUNCTIONS AS ACTION (HATSU).






THE CONCEPT OF BLUFFING IS DERIVED FROM THIS.
"IF YOUR WILL IS STRONG ENOUGH, YOU CAN MAKE YOUR OPPONENT BACK DOWN, EVEN WITHOUT MOVING A MUSCLE."


THEREFORE, YOU SHOULD AVOID USING REN UNTIL YOUR SOUL HAS FULLY MATURED.
REN HARDENS THAT WHICH IS SOFT AND YOU LOSE THE ABILITY TO CORRECT AND INCORRECT IDEA.

IF YOU MASTER TEN, YOU WILL NO LONGER FEEL THE PRESSURE OF AN OPPONENT'S WILL.
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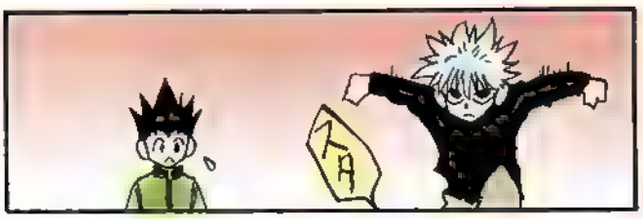
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IF YOU WISH TO LEARN ABOUT NEN...
...YOU SHOULD FOCUS ON MASTERING TEN.
RIGHT NOW, YOU BOYS AND ZUSHI SHOULD BE TRAINING YOUR SOULS.
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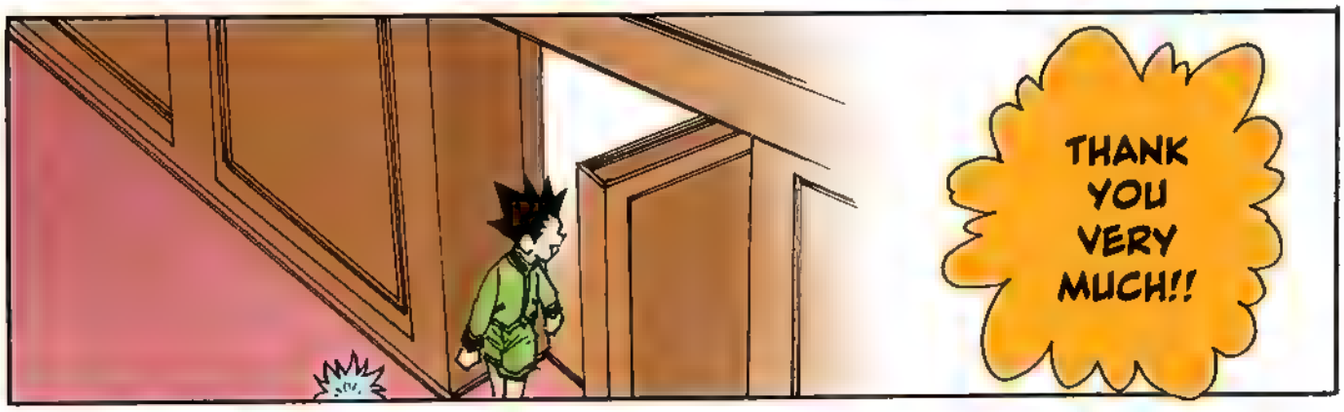
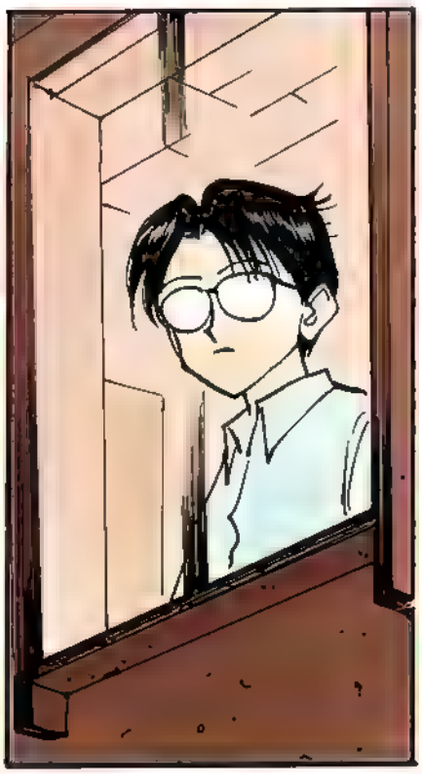
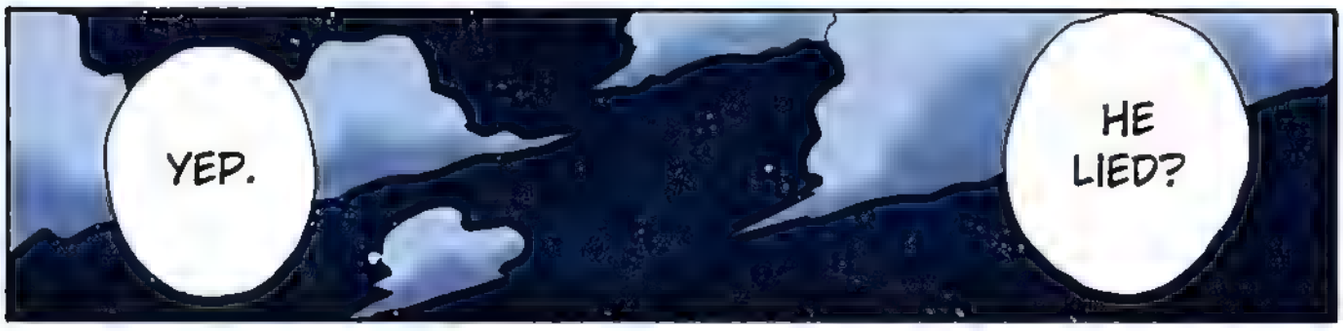

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!

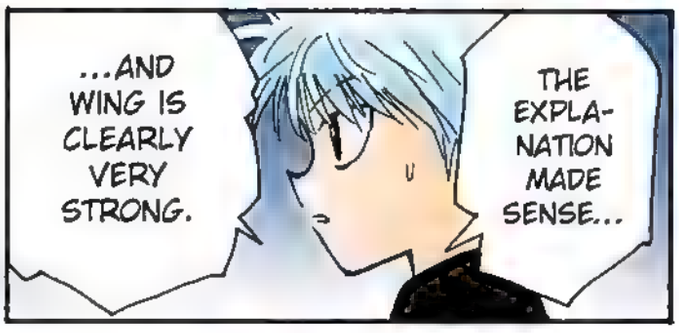
ZUSHI, LET'S BEGIN YOUR TRAINING.
OSU!



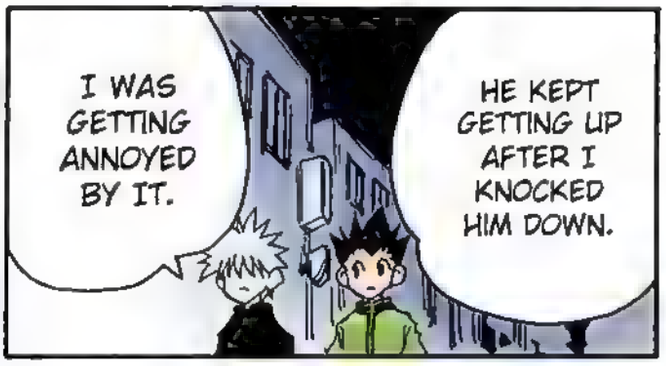
FIRST, START WITH YOUR "TEN."
OSU!


HE LIED?
YEP.

THE EXPLA-NATION MADE SENSE...
...AND WING IS CLEARLY VERY STRONG.


BUT IT DOESN'T BEGIN TO COVER SOME THINGS.
LIKE ZUSHI'S TOUGH-NESS.

HE KEPT GETTING UP AFTER I KNOCKED HIM DOWN.
I WAS GETTING ANNOYED BY IT.


SO I GOT A LITTLE ASSERTIVE AT THE END.
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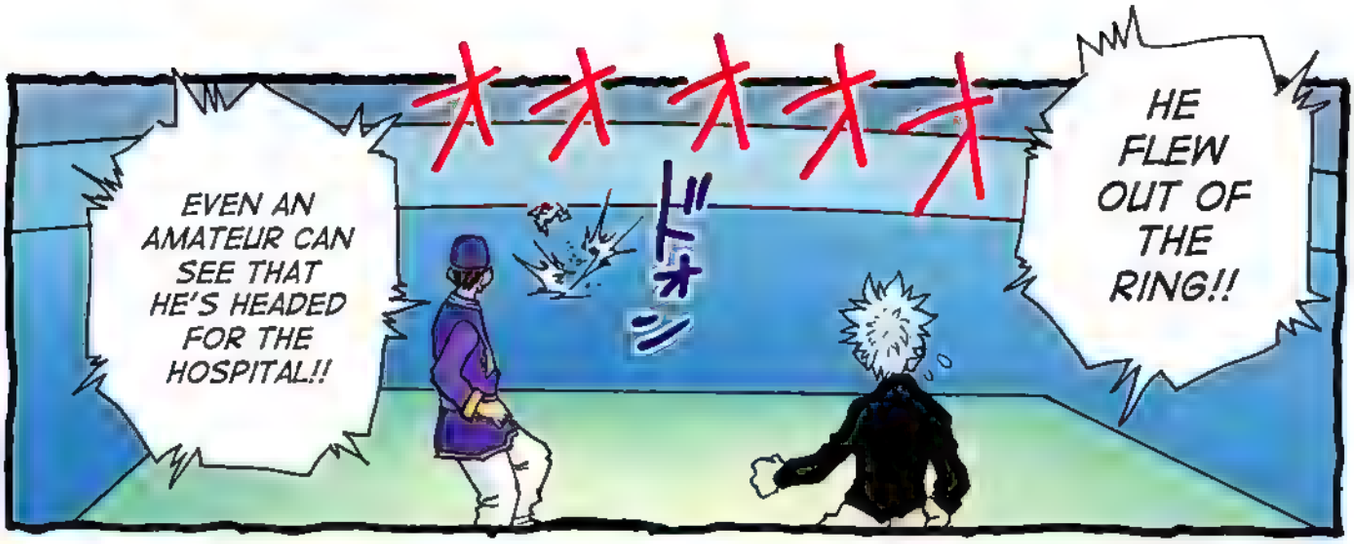
WHY YOU...
OOPS.


EVEN AN AMATEUR CAN SEE THAT HE'S HEADED FOR THE HOSPITAL!!
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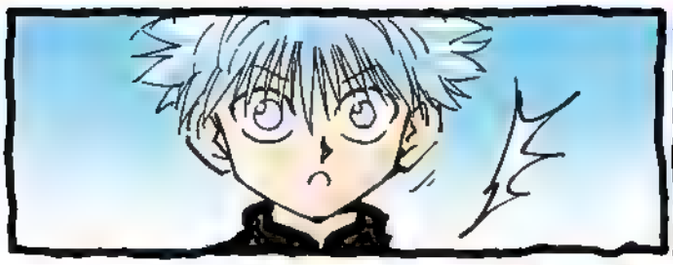
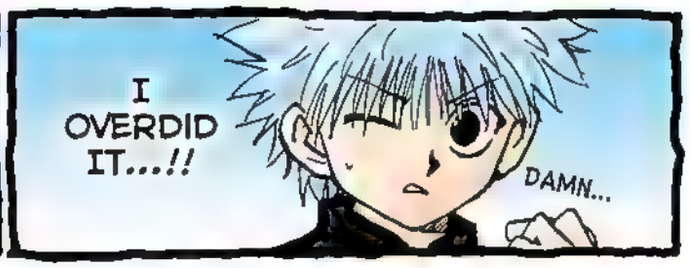
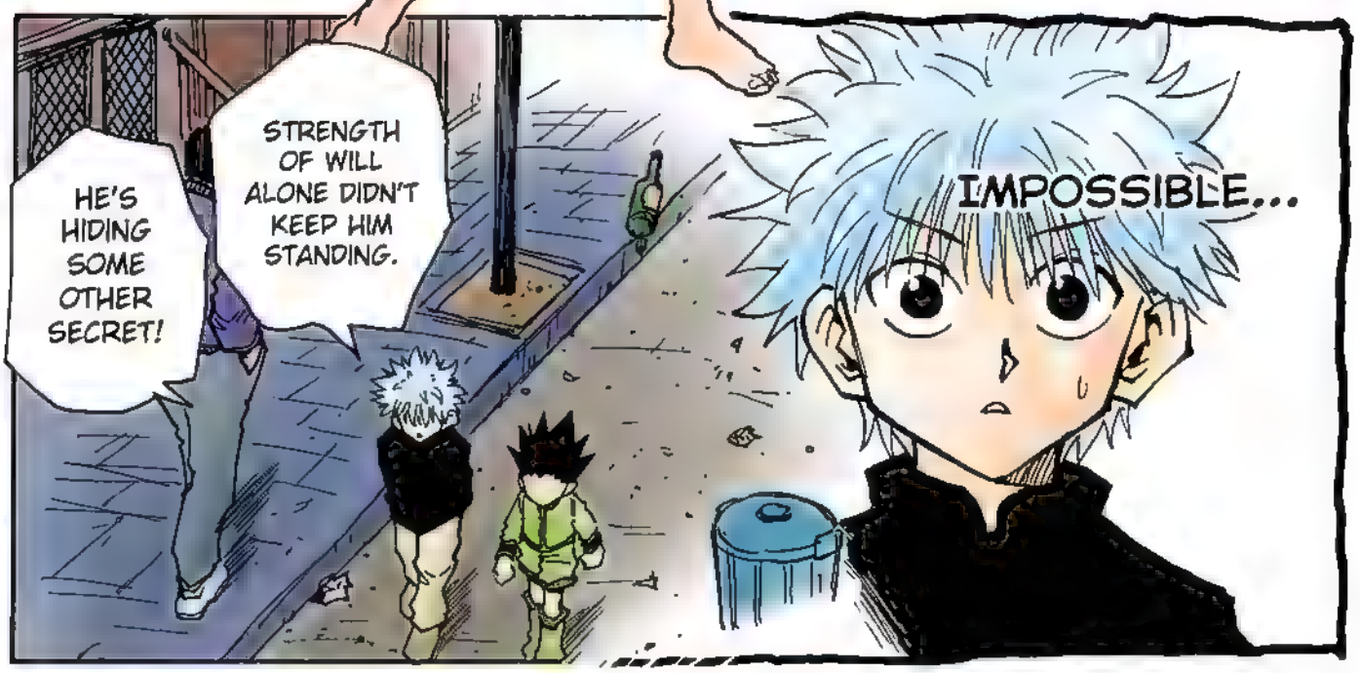
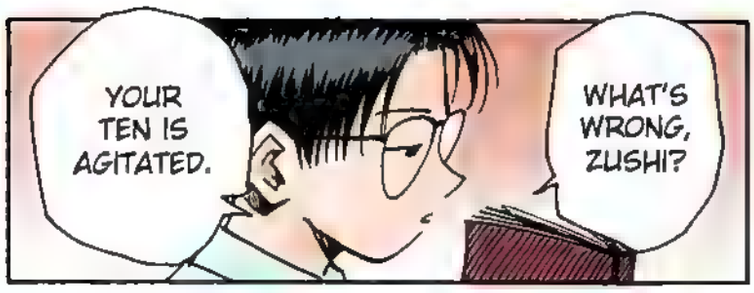
HE FLEW OUT OF THE RING!!




I OVERDID IT...!!
DAMN...

HOWEVER, THE REFEREE HAS AWARDED A CRITICAL HIT AND KNOCKDOWN!! KILLUA WINS BY TKO, WITH ELEVEN TOTAL POINTS!!
HRN...
OOHH...! HE'S GOTTEN BACK UP!! ZUSHI MUST BE INVINCIBLE!!


HE'S HIDING SOME OTHER SECRET!
STRENGTH OF WILL ALONE DIDN'T KEEP HIM STANDING.
IMPOSSIBLE...


YOUR TEN IS AGITATED.
WHAT'S WRONG, ZUSHI?

MASTER ...
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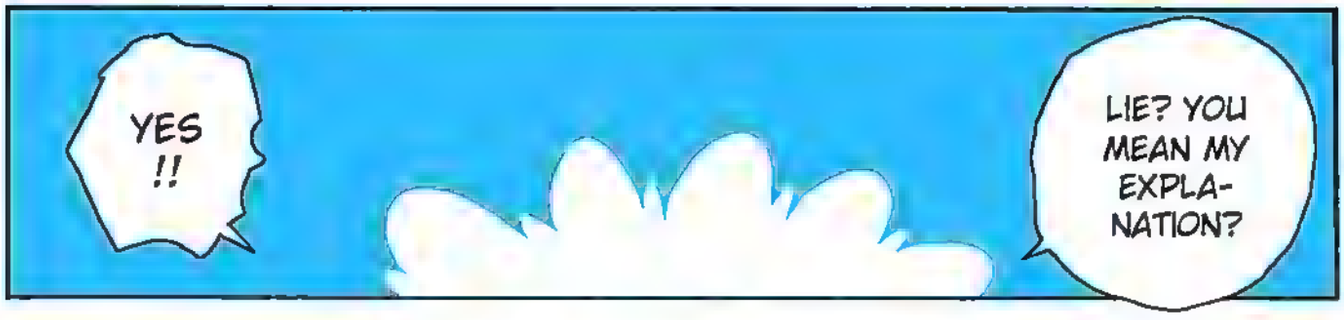
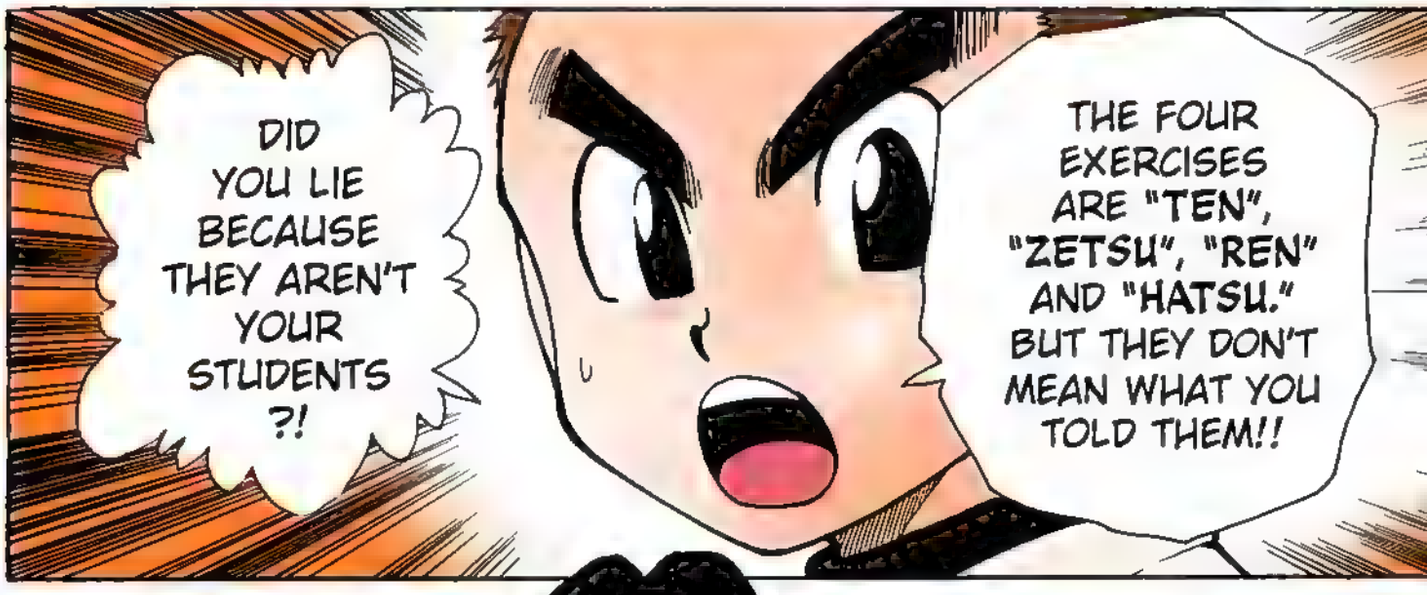
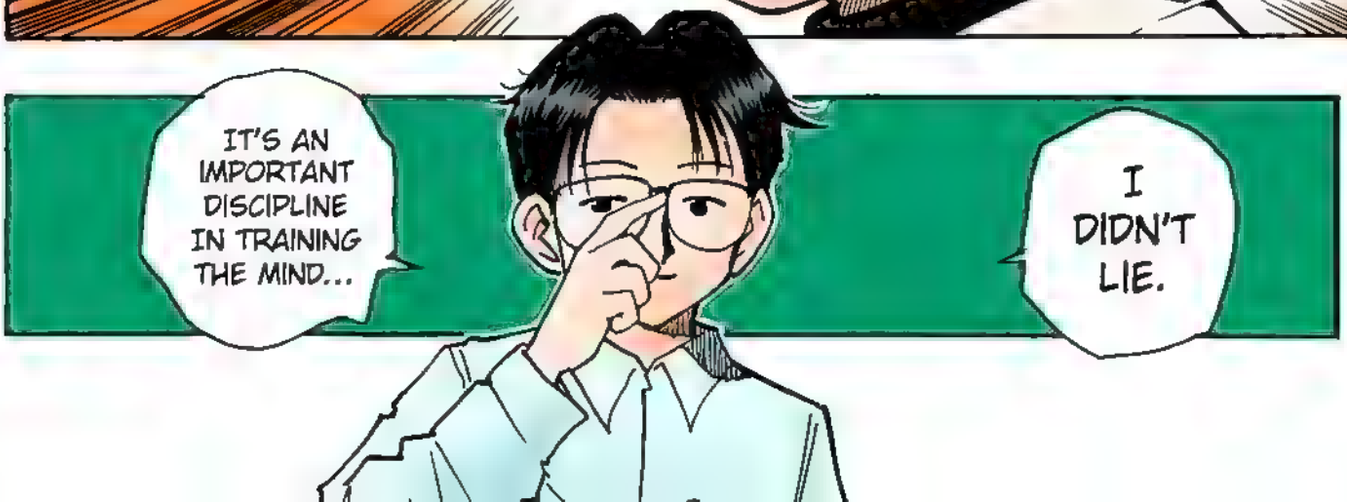
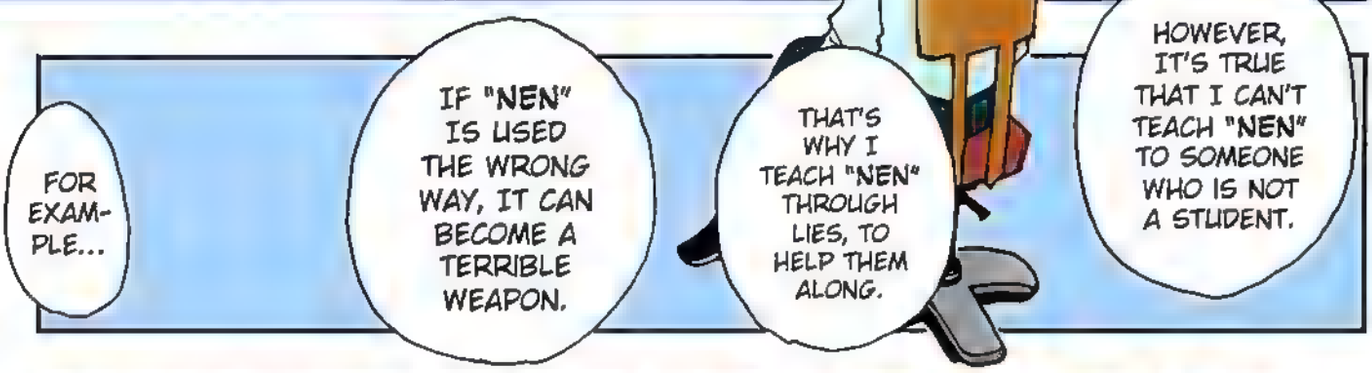
HMM?
WHY DID YOU LIE TO THEM?

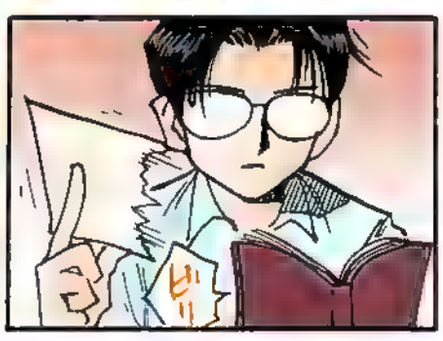

YES !!
LIE? YOU MEAN MY EXPLA-NATION?

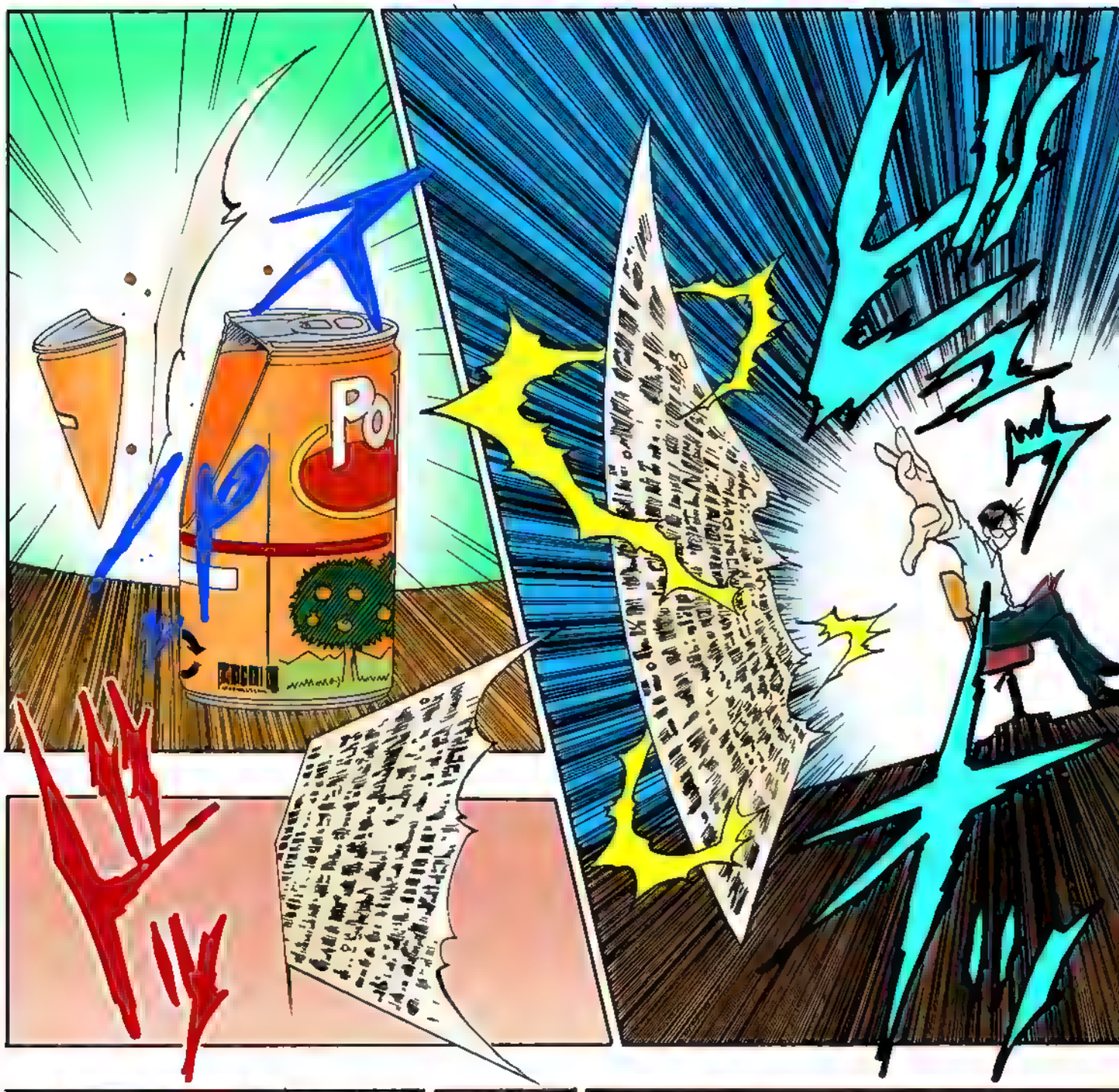

DID YOU LIE BECAUSE THEY AREN'T YOUR STUDENTS ?!
THE FOUR EXERCISES ARE "TEN", "ZETSU", "REN" AND "HATSU." BUT THEY DON'T MEAN WHAT YOU TOLD THEM!!

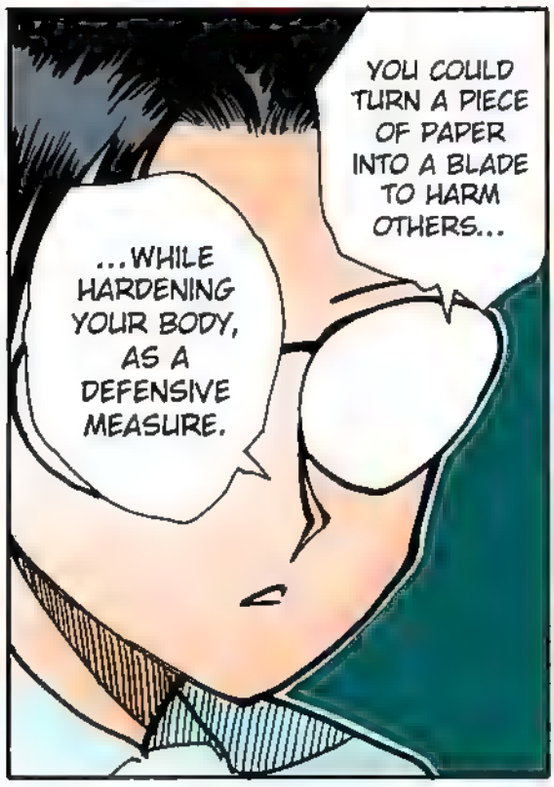

IT'S AN IMPORTANT DISCIPLINE IN TRAINING THE MIND...
I DIDN'T LIE.

...FOR THE REAL MASTERING OF "NEN."


FOR EXAMPLE...
IF "NEN" IS USED THE WRONG WAY, IT CAN BECOME A TERRIBLE WEAPON.
THAT'S WHY I TEACH "NEN" THROUGH LIES, TO HELP THEM ALONG.
HOWEVER, IT'S TRUE THAT I CAN'T TEACH "NEN" TO SOMEONE WHO IS NOT A STUDENT.






YOU COULD TURN A PIECE OF PAPER INTO A BLADE TO HARM OTHERS...
...WHILE HARDENING YOUR BODY, AS A DEFENSIVE MEASURE.

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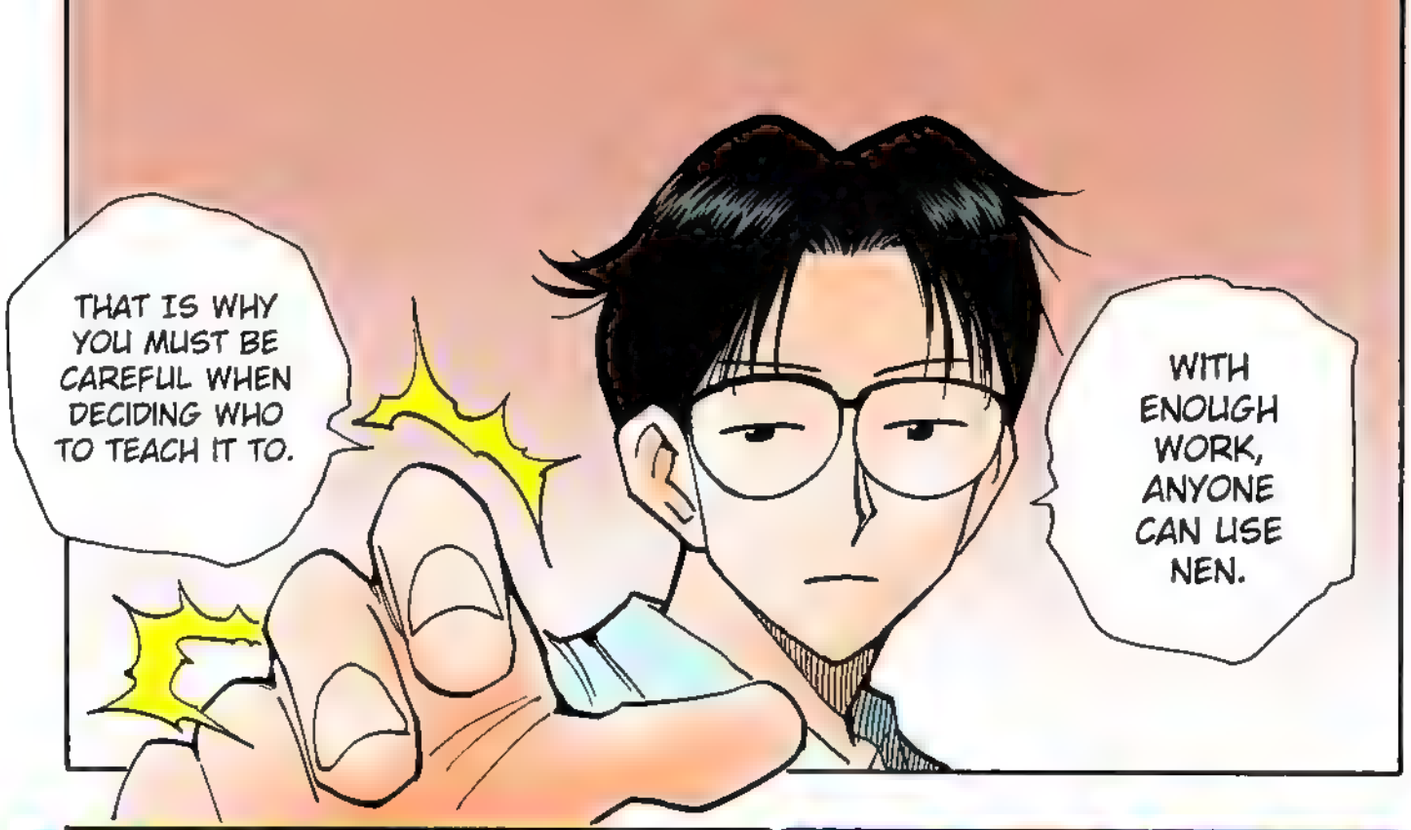
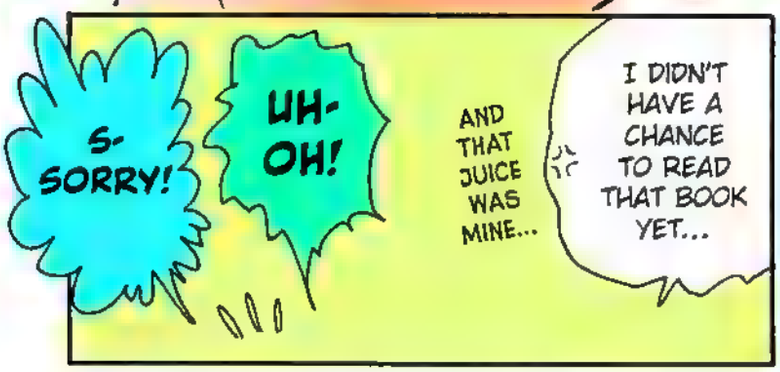
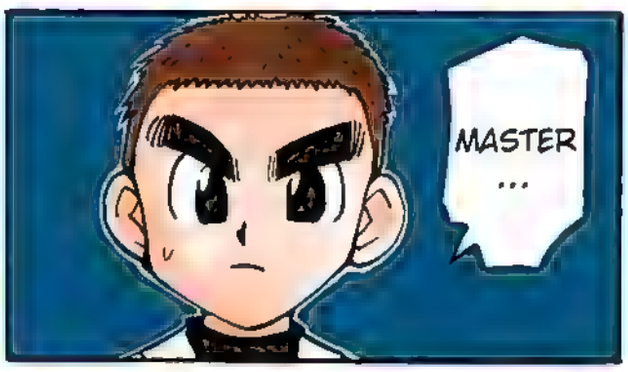
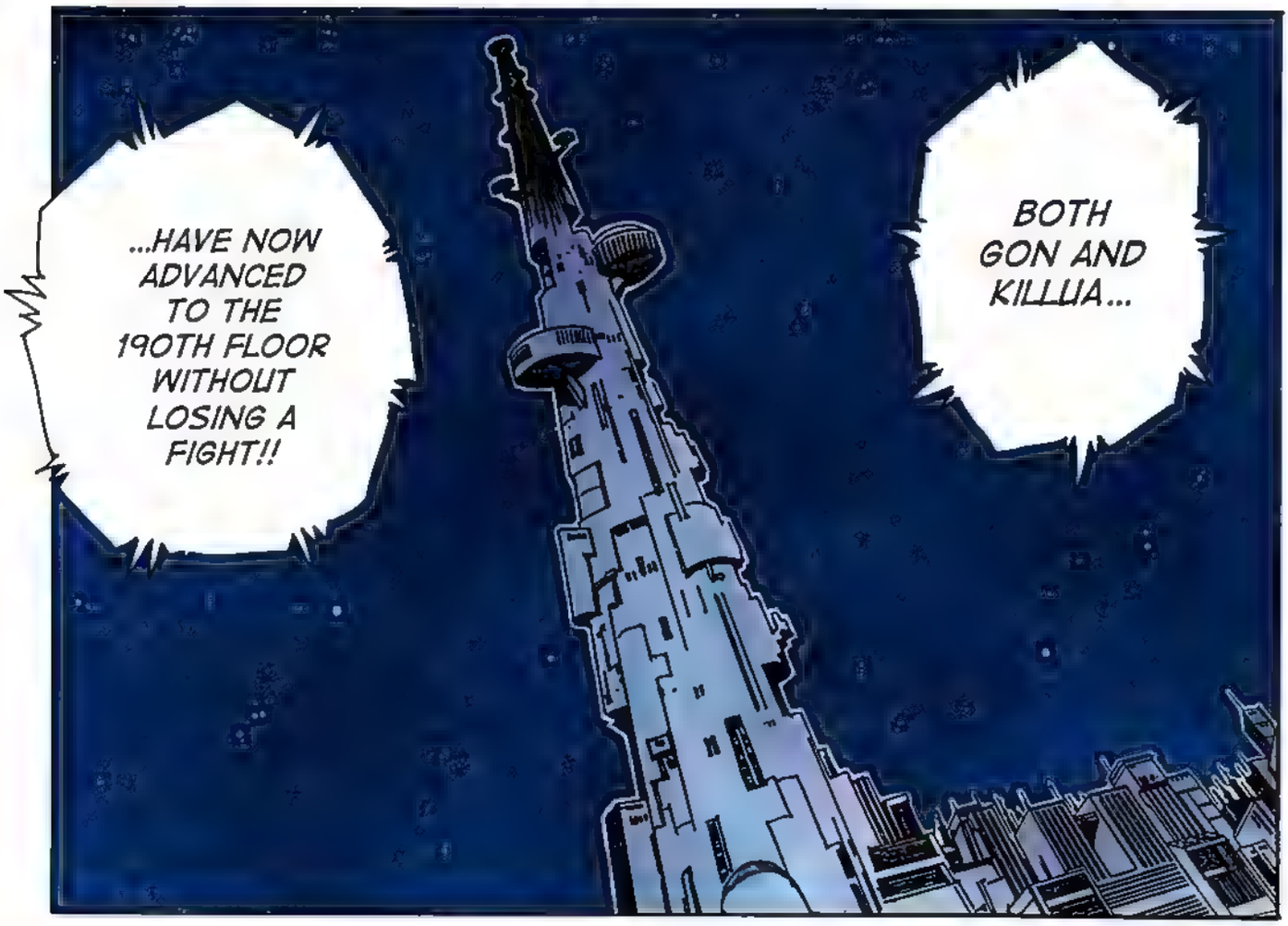
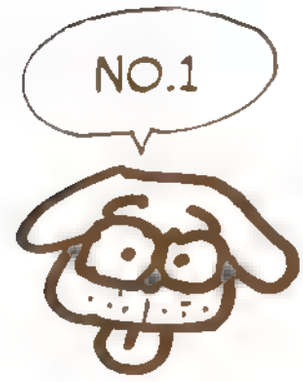

THAT IS WHY YOU MUST BE CAREFUL WHEN DECIDING WHO TO TEACH IT TO.
WITH ENOUGH WORK, ANYONE CAN USE NEN.


S-SORRY!
UH-OH!
AND THAT JUICE WAS MINE...
I DIDN'T HAVE A CHANCE TO READ THAT BOOK YET...


MASTER ...

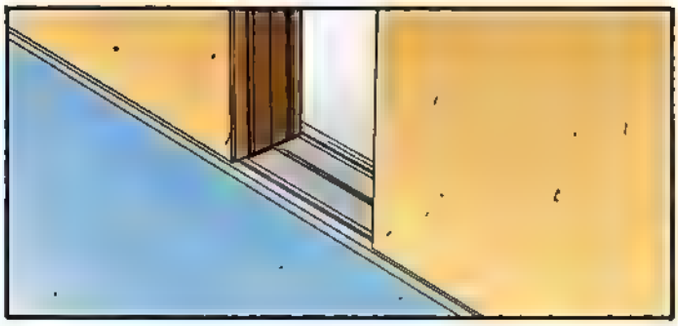

...HAVE NOW ADVANCED TO THE 190TH FLOOR WITHOUT LOSING A FIGHT!!
BOTH GON AND KILLUA...

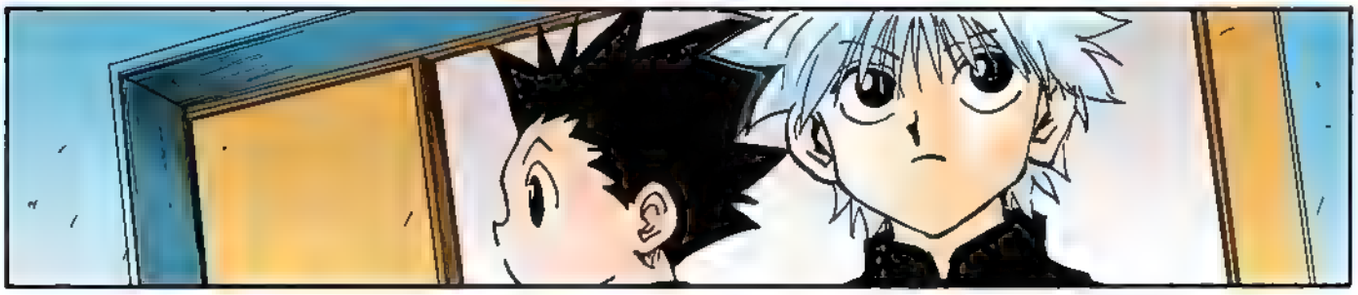
HISTORY OF TITLES

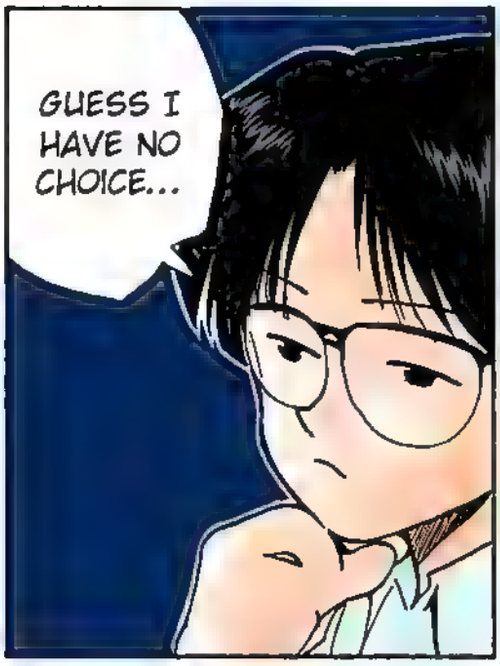


~ YUYU HAKUSHO ~

COMING UP WITH THE TITLE "YUYU HAKUSHO" WASN'T SO SIMPLE. I PRESENTED ROUGH DRAFTS TO MY EDITORS AT PLANNING MEETINGS. I HADN'T DECIDED ON A TITLE AT THE TIME, SO I SIMPLY WROTE, "HOW TO BE A GHOST (TENTATIVE)." LATER WHEN I WAS GIVEN THE GO-AHEAD, AND I HAD TO COME UP WITH THE OFFICIAL TITLE, I FIRST PROPOSED "YUYU-KI" (POLTERGEIST CHRONICLES). I FIGURED THAT EVENTUALLY THERE'D BE BATTLES WITH DEMONS, SO IT WAS A PLAY ON "JOURNEY TO THE WEST" (SAIYU-KI). BUT MY EDITORS COUNTERED, "THERE'S ANOTHER MANGA CALLED 'CHIN-YU-KI' (CHRONICLES OF THE BIZARRE) SLATED TO START AROUND THE SAME TIME. AND HE CAME UP WITH IT FIRST... "SO I OFFERED "YUYU HAKUSHO" (POLTERGEIST REPORT) AS A HASTY ALTERNATIVE. IT DIDN'T REALLY MATTER IF IT WAS "...DEN LEGENDS)" OR "...MONOGATARI (STORY)," BUT "HAKUSHO" WAS WHAT FIRST CAME TO MY MIND. IT WAS ALL IMPROMPTU INSPIRATION.







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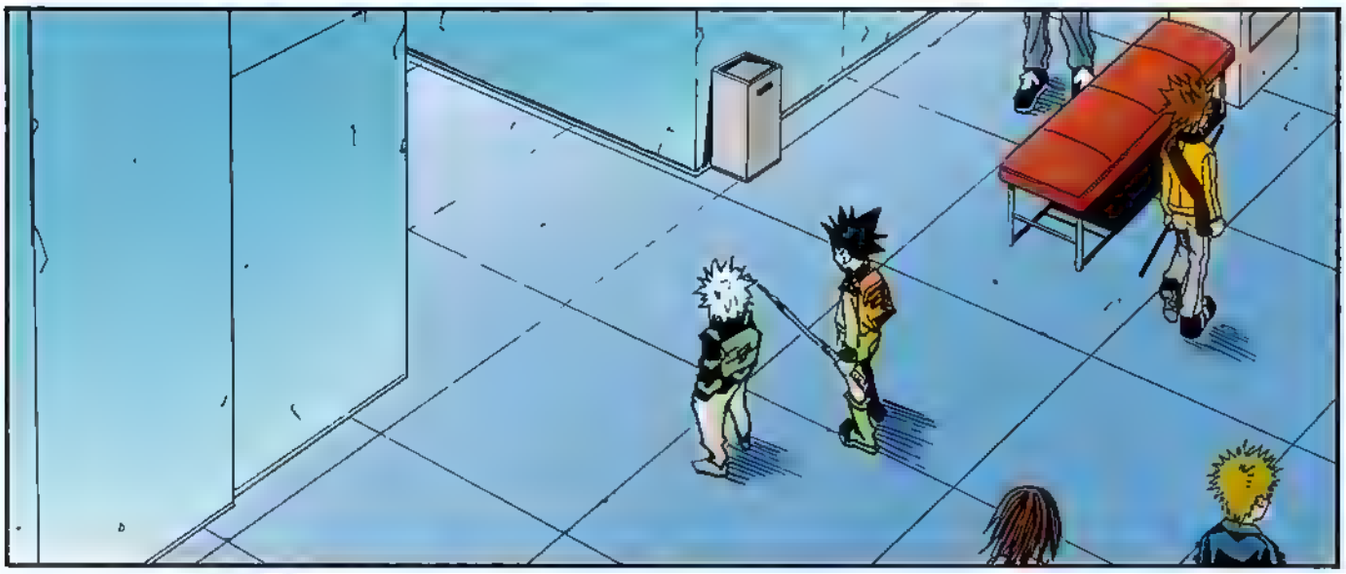

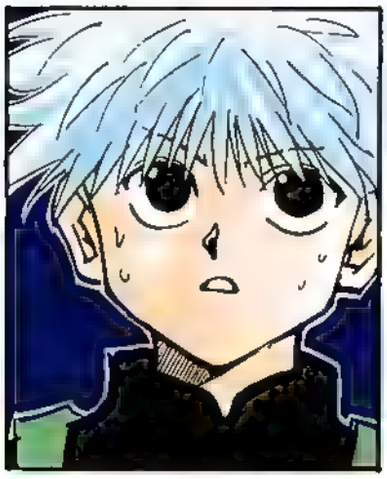

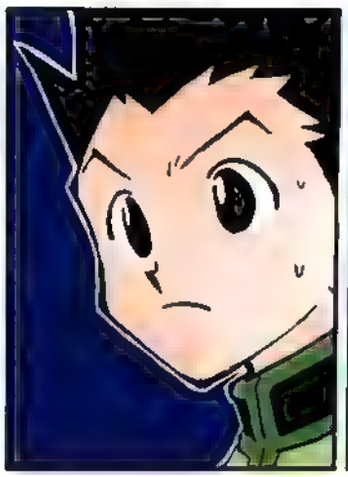

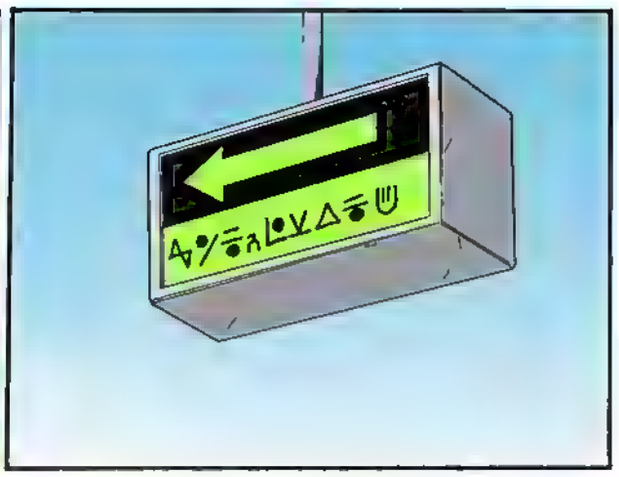

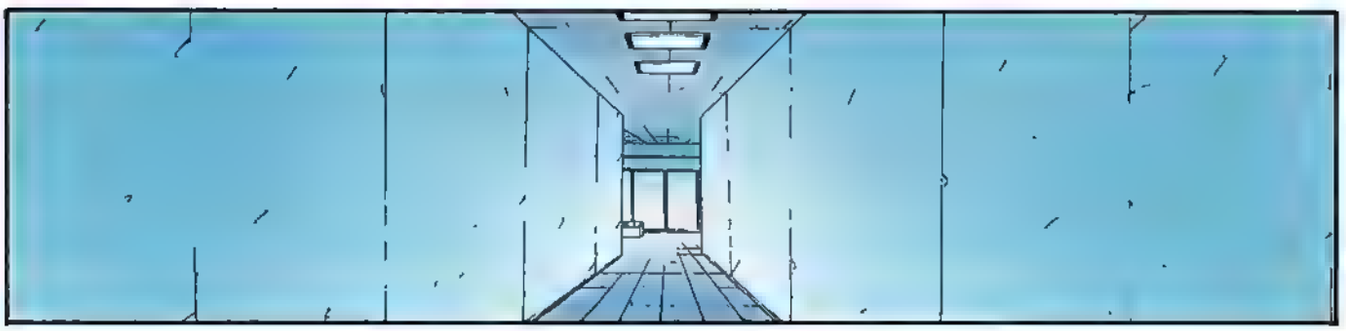

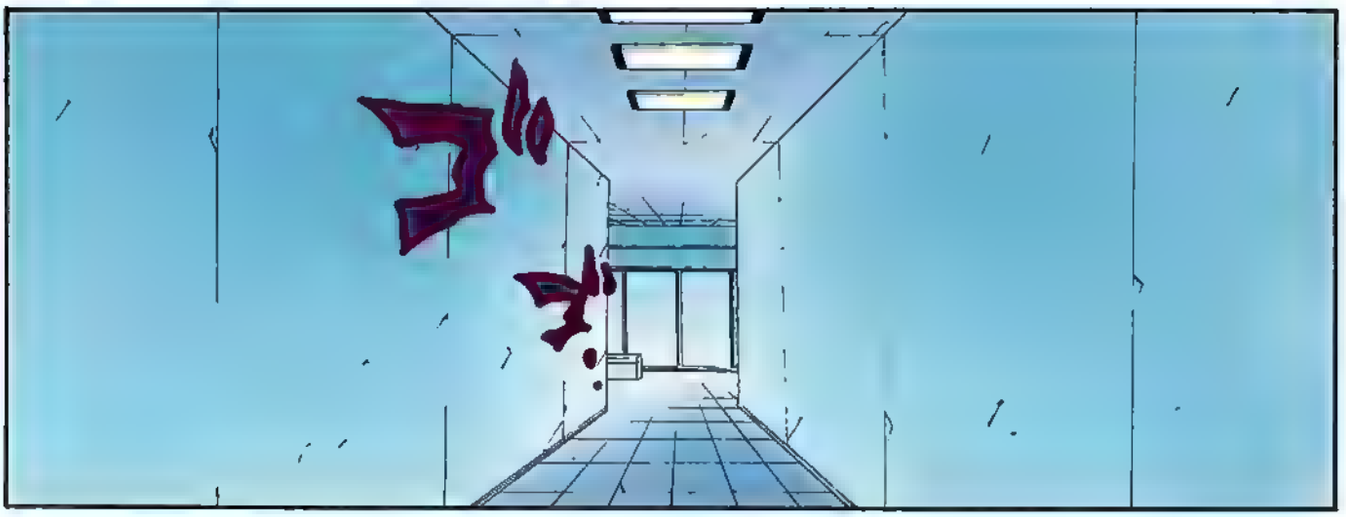

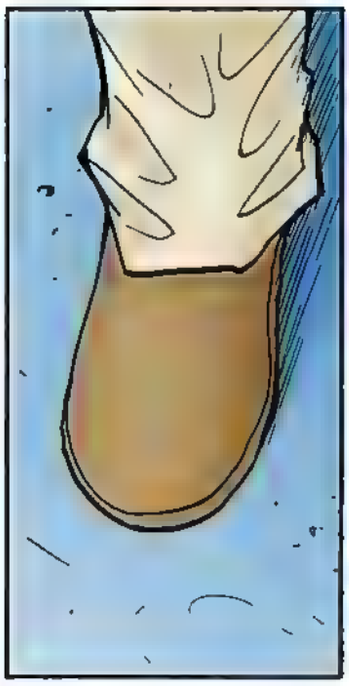

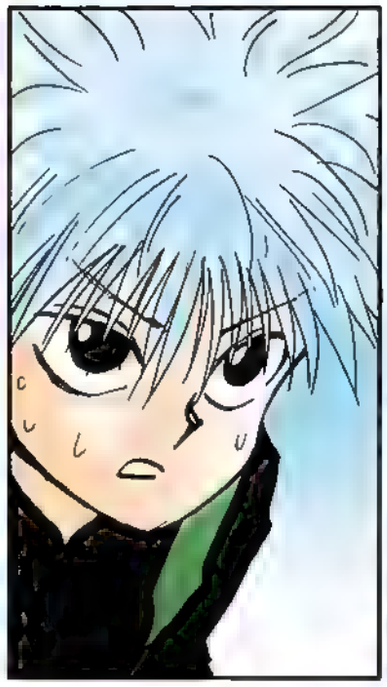

BUT THIS LOOKS LIKE AN ORDINARY HALLWAY.
WHAT IS THIS?! ALL OF THE SUDDEN, IT FEELS LIKE WE'RE IN A JUNGLE SWARMING WITH MONSTERS!!
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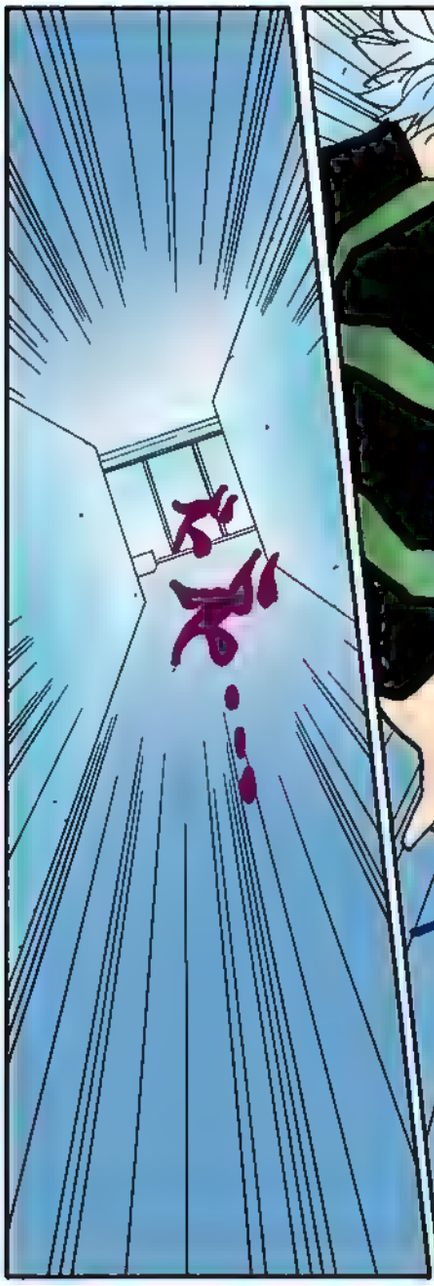
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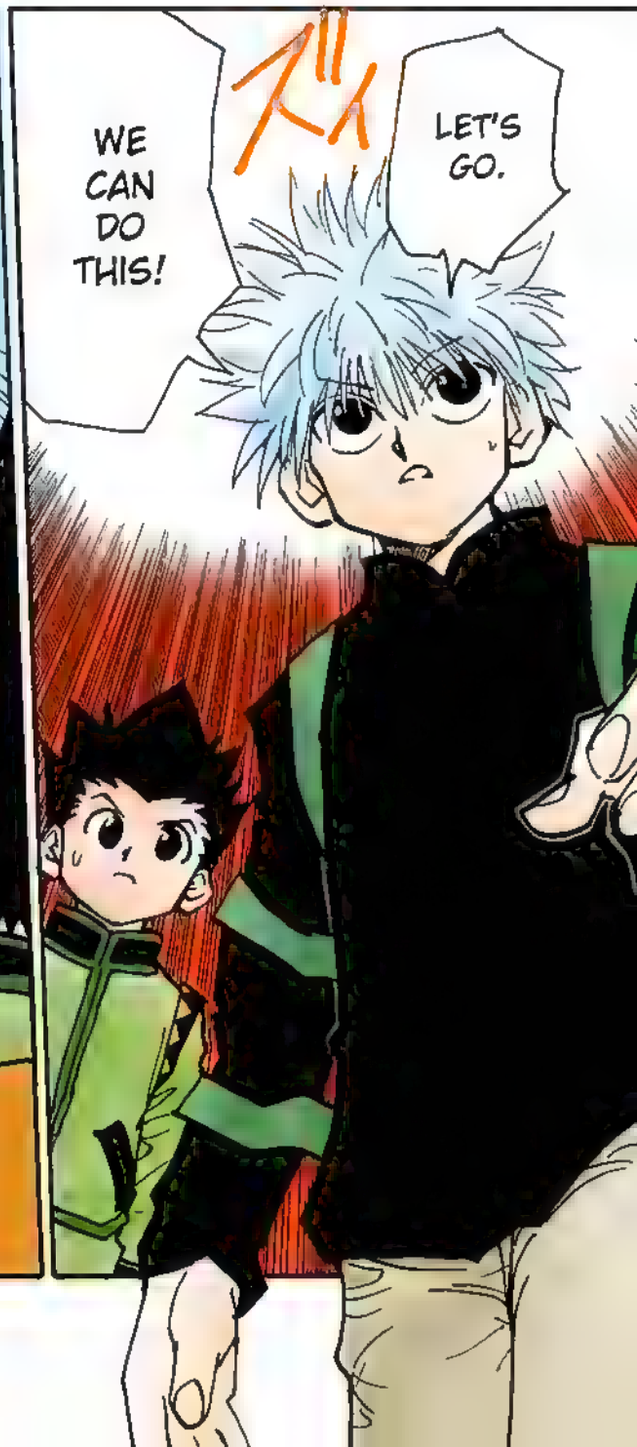
WE CAN DO THIS!
LET'S GO.
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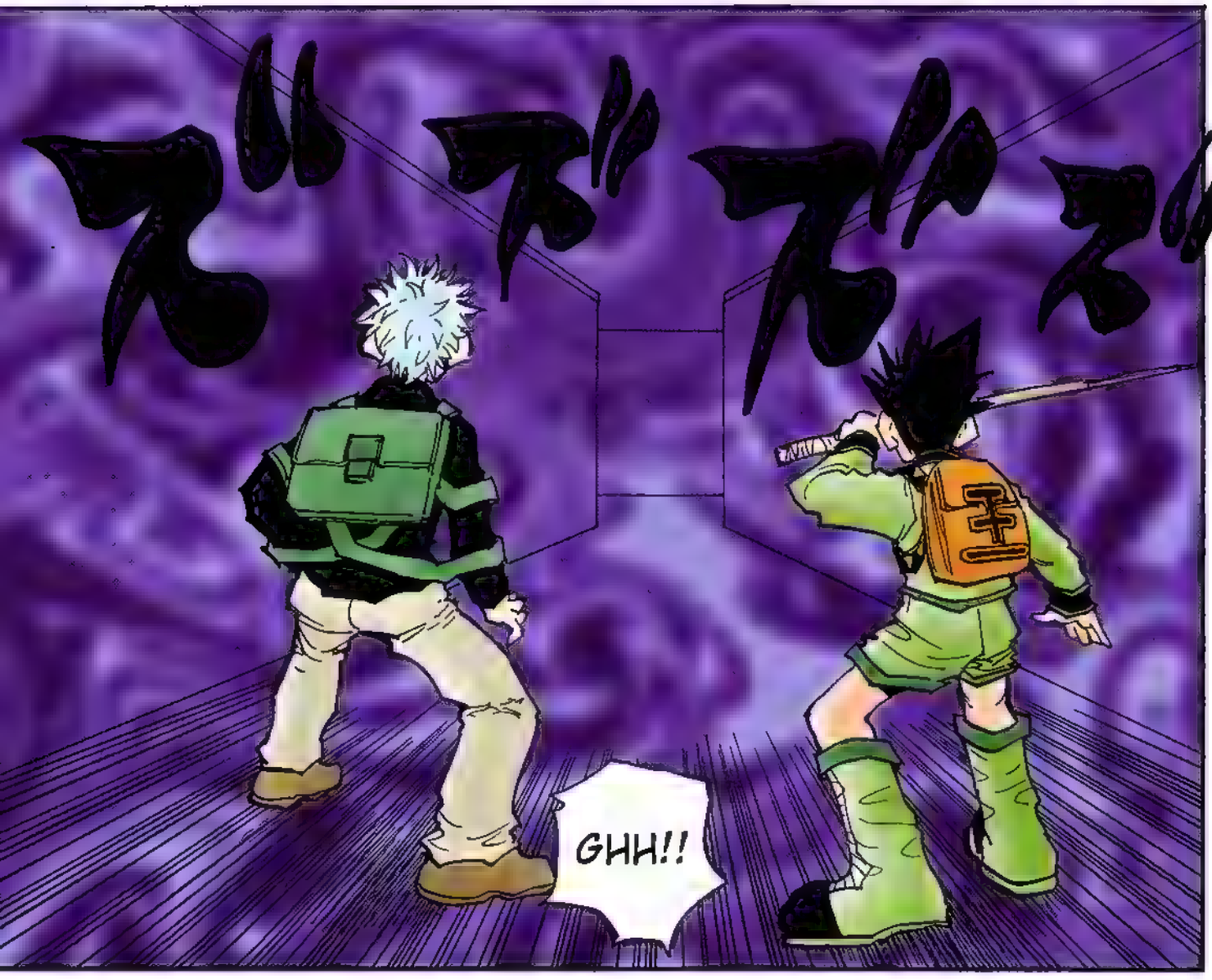
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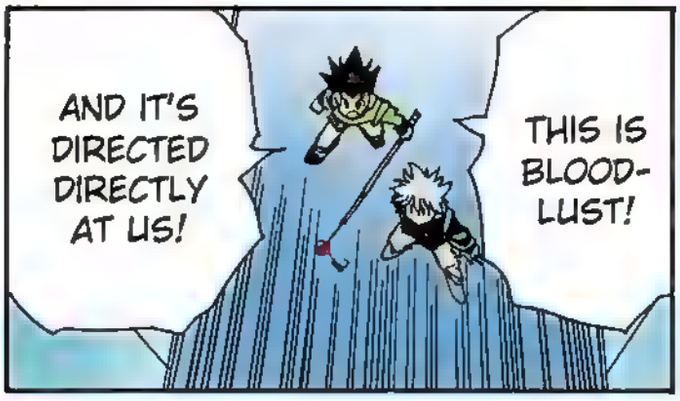
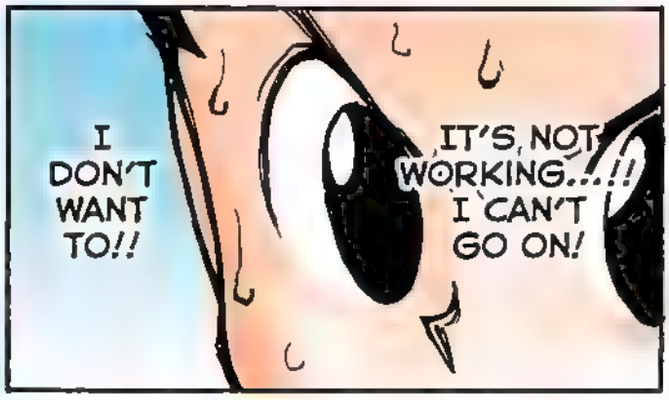
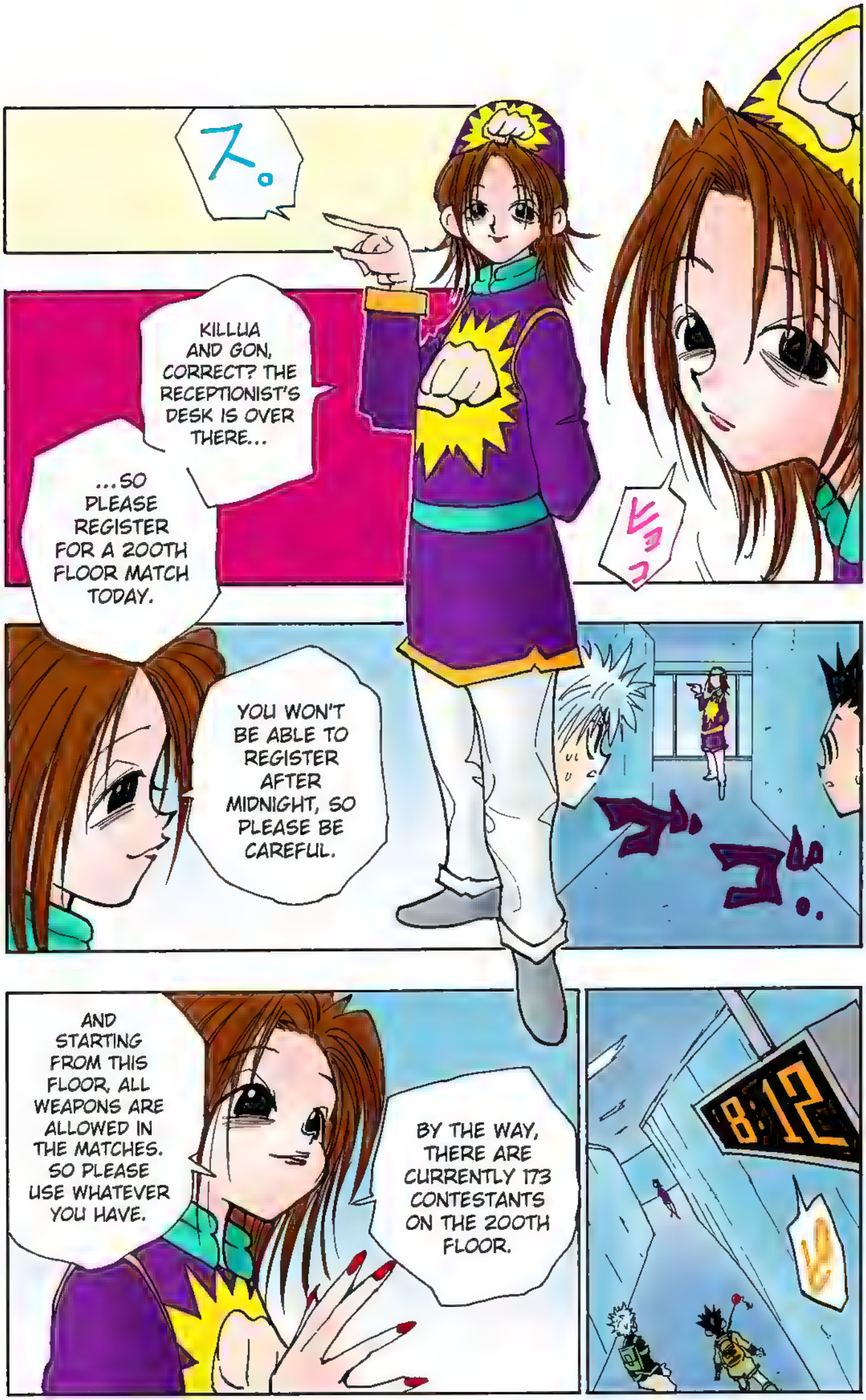

AND IT'S DIRECTED DIRECTLY AT US!
THIS IS BLOOD-LUST!


I DON'T WANT TO!!
IT'S NOT WORKING...!! I CAN'T GO ON!

SHOW YOURSELF !!
HEY!! WHO'S THERE?!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KILLUA AND GON, CORRECT? THE RECEPTIONIST'S DESK IS OVER THERE...
...SO PLEASE REGISTER FOR A 200TH FLOOR MATCH TODAY.
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YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO REGISTER AFTER MIDNIGHT, SO PLEASE BE CAREFUL.
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AND STARTING FROM THIS FLOOR, ALL WEAPONS ARE ALLOWED IN THE MATCHES. SO PLEASE USE WHATEVER YOU HAVE.
BY THE WAY, THERE ARE CURRENTLY 173 CONTESTANTS ON THE 200TH FLOOR.
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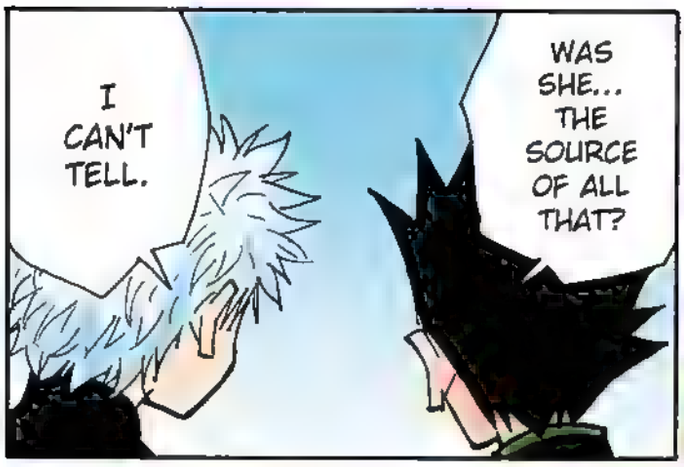
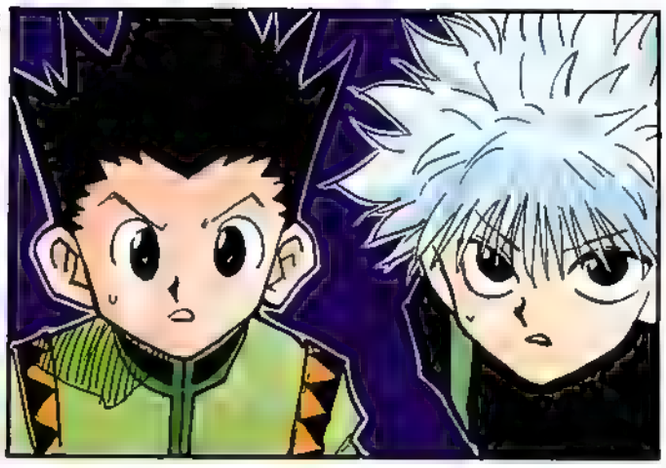
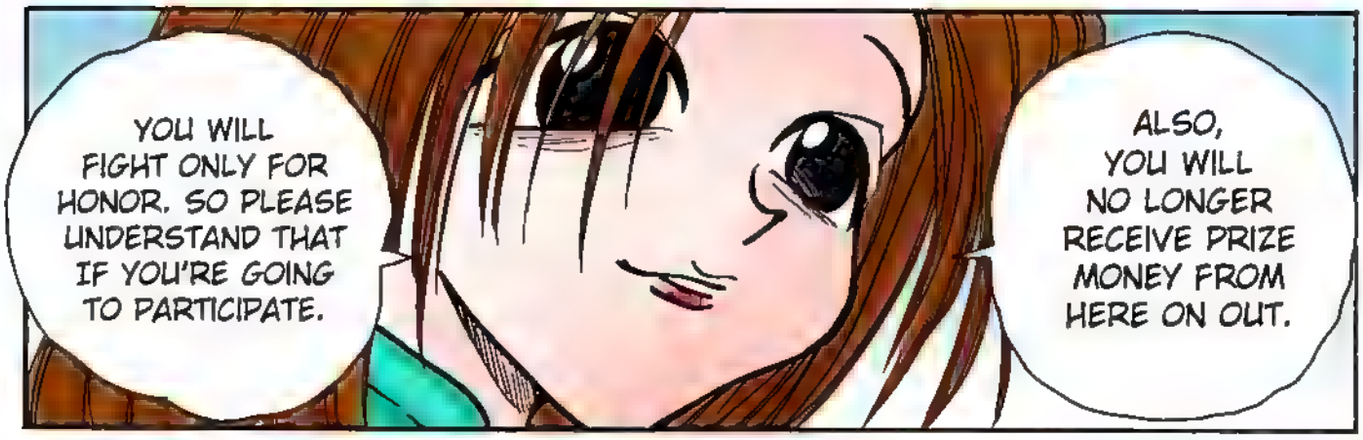
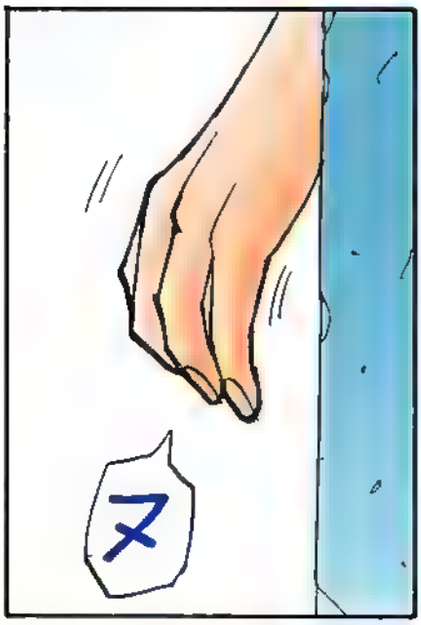

I CAN'T TELL.
WAS SHE... THE SOURCE OF ALL THAT?




YOU WILL FIGHT ONLY FOR HONOR. SO PLEASE UNDERSTAND THAT IF YOU'RE GOING TO PARTICIPATE.
ALSO, YOU WILL NO LONGER RECEIVE PRIZE MONEY FROM HERE ON OUT.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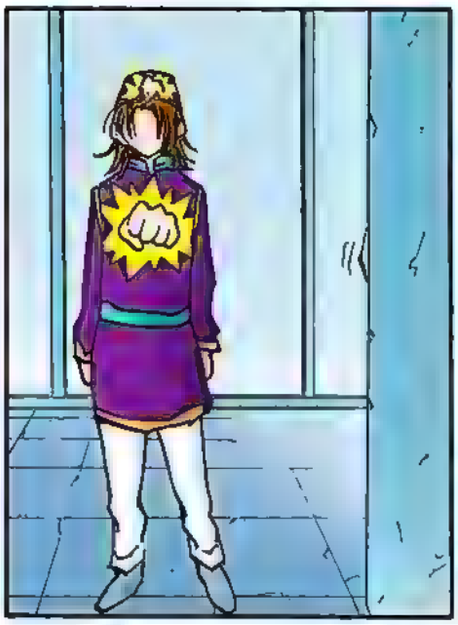

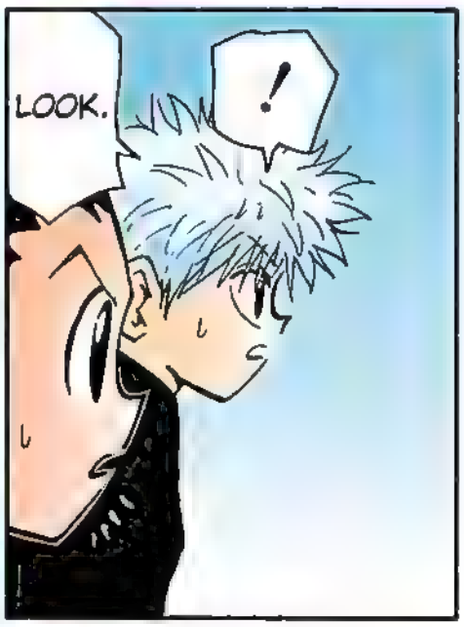
LOOK.
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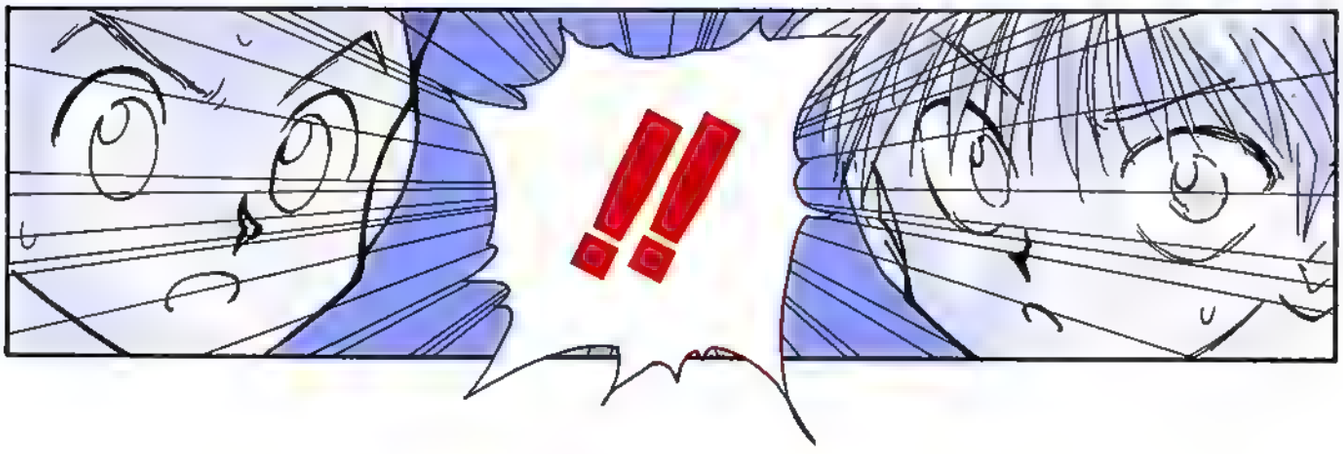
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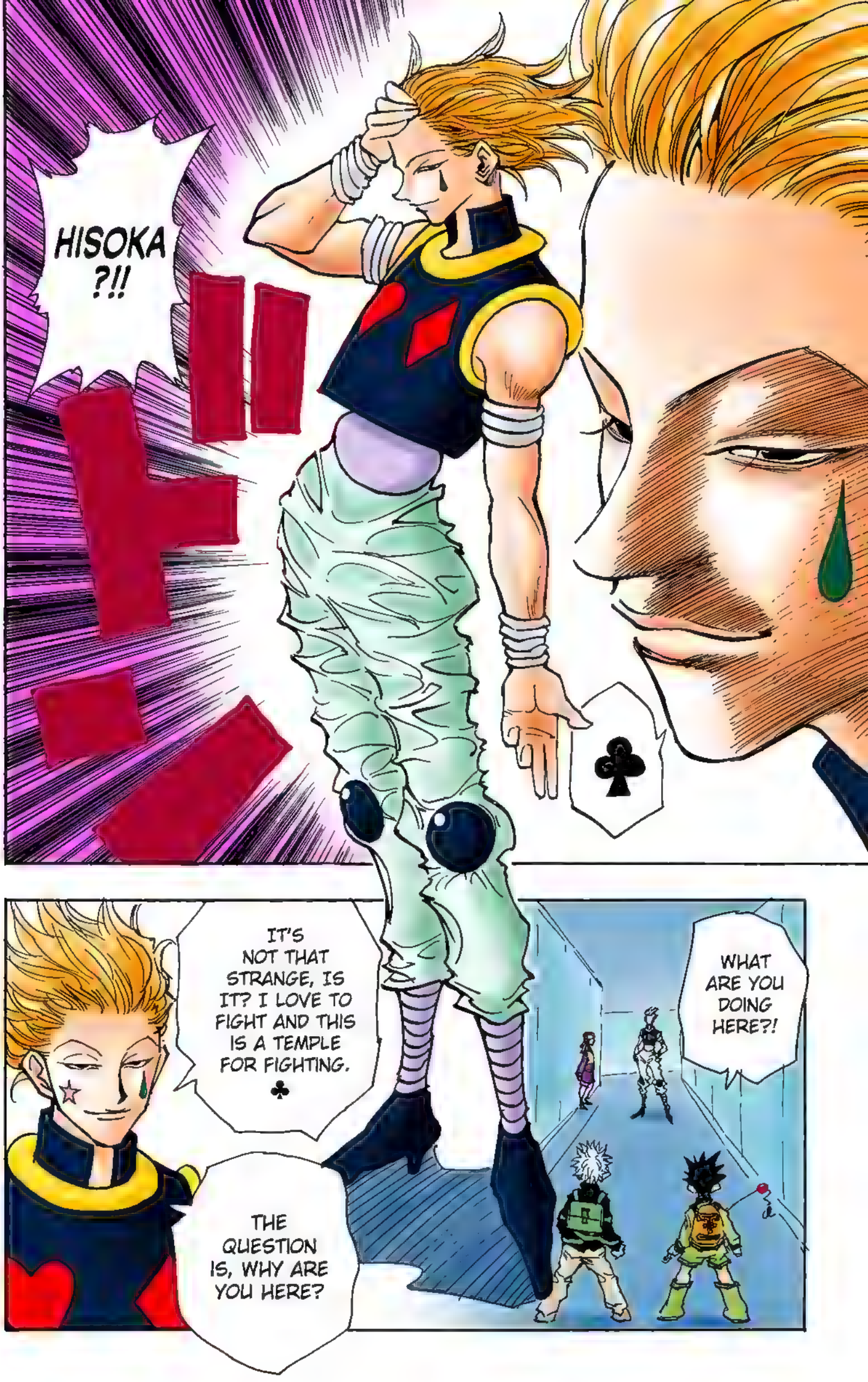
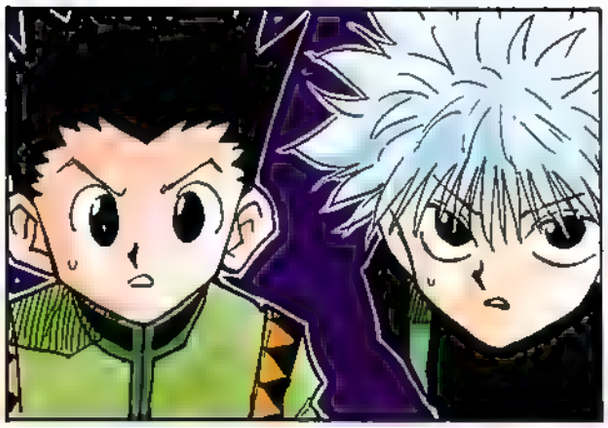
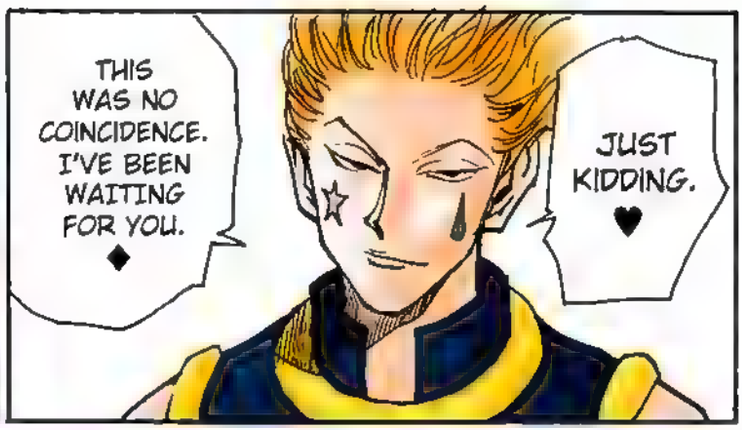
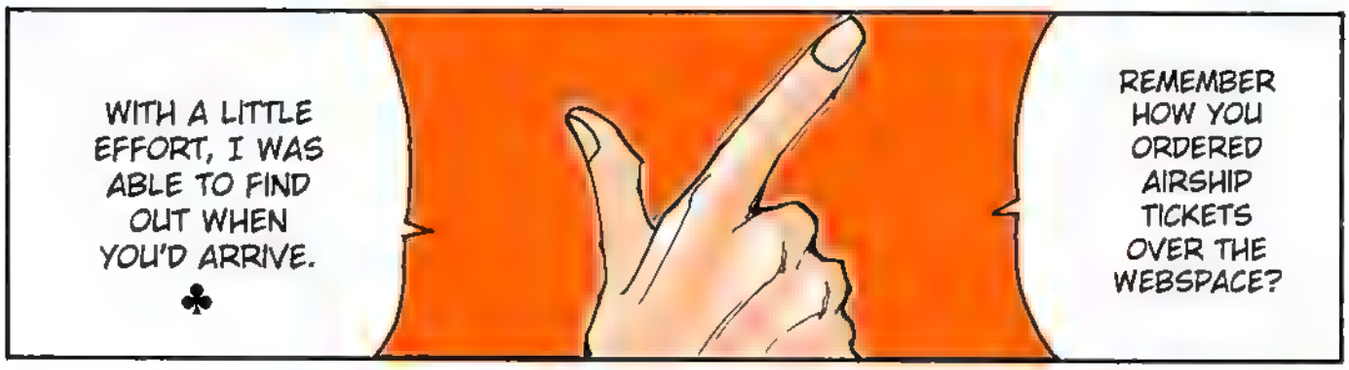
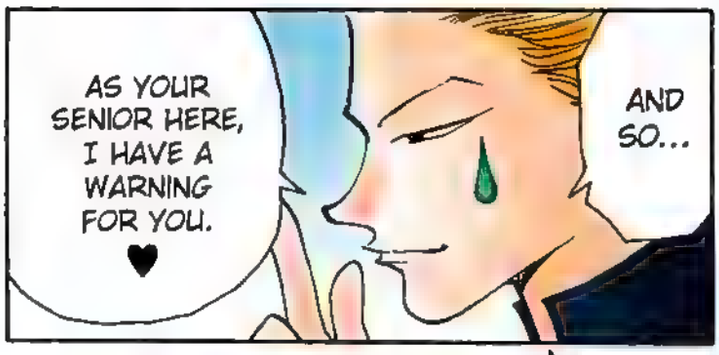
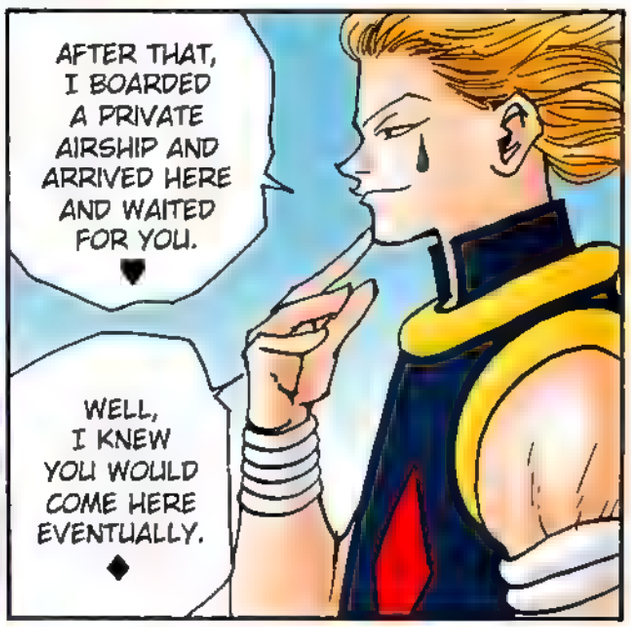

HISOKA ?!!
IT'S NOT THAT STRANGE, IS IT? I LOVE TO FIGHT AND THIS IS A TEMPLE FOR FIGHTING. ♣
THE QUESTION IS, WHY ARE YOU HERE?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?!



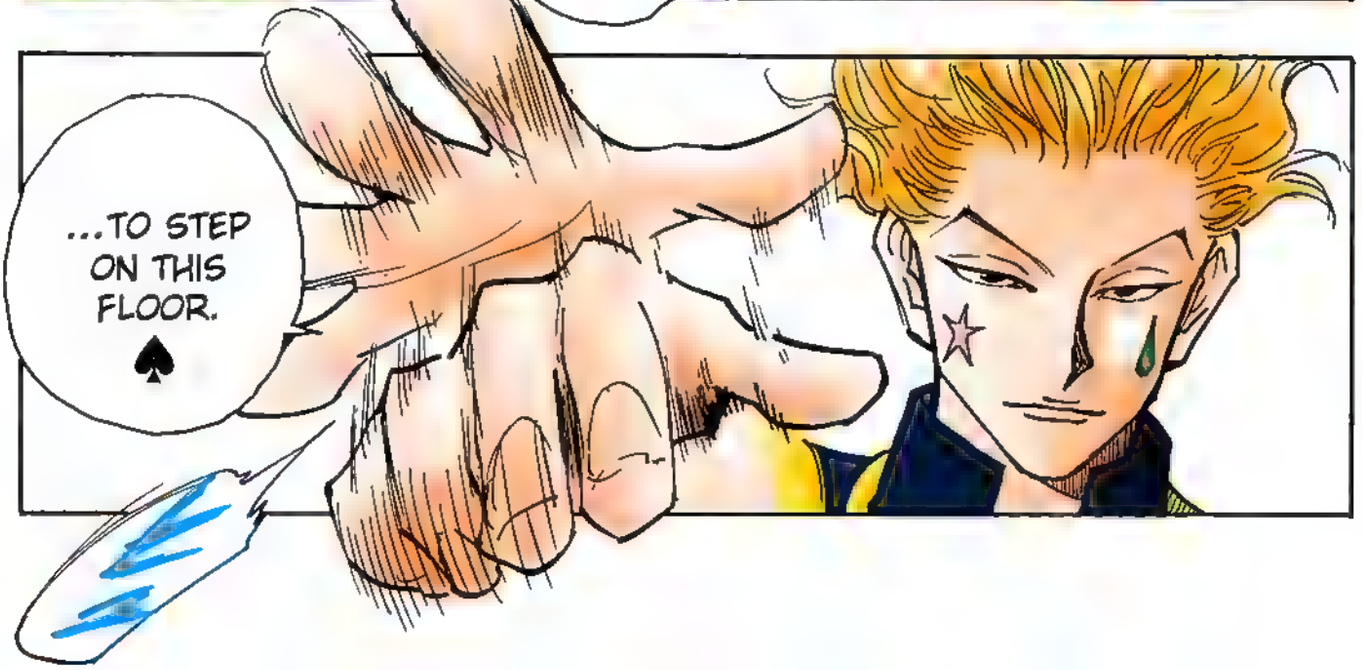

THIS WAS NO COINCIDENCE. I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU. ♦
JUST KIDDING. ♥

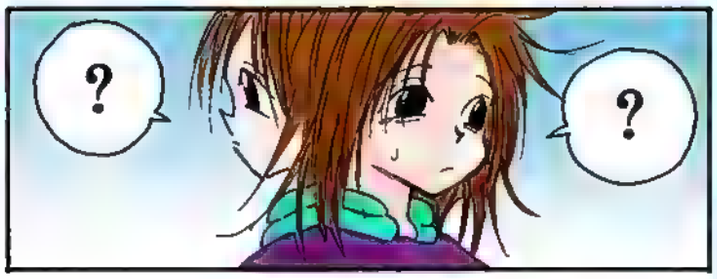

WITH A LITTLE EFFORT, I WAS ABLE TO FIND OUT WHEN YOU'D ARRIVE. ♣
REMEMBER HOW YOU ORDERED AIRSHIP TICKETS OVER THE WEBSPACE?


AS YOUR SENIOR HERE, I HAVE A WARNING FOR YOU. ♥
AND SO...


AFTER THAT, I BOARDED A PRIVATE AIRSHIP AND ARRIVED HERE AND WAITED FOR YOU. ♥
WELL, I KNEW YOU WOULD COME HERE EVENTUALLY. ♦

YOU'RE STILL NOT READY...


...TO STEP ON THIS FLOOR. ♠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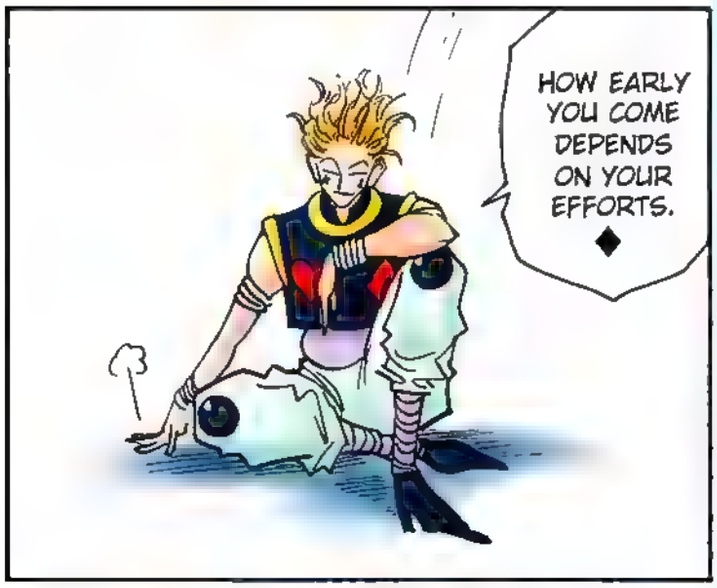
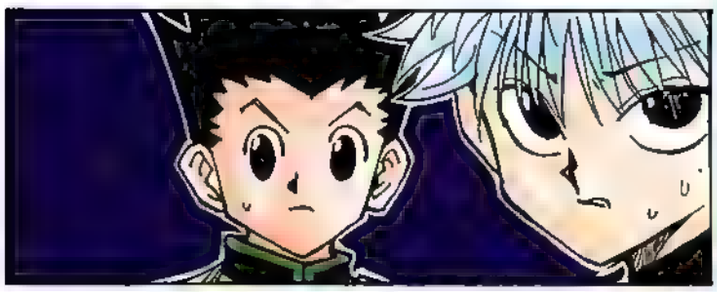

HOW EARLY YOU COME DEPENDS ON YOUR EFFORTS. ◆



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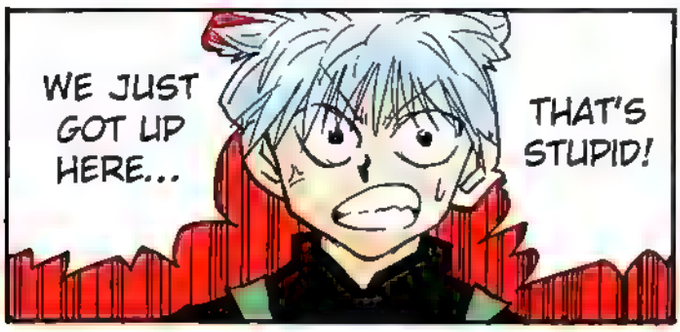
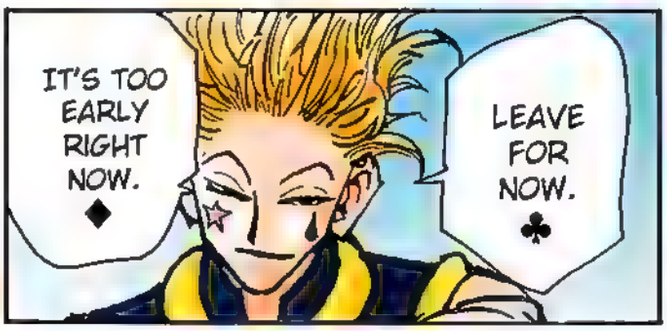
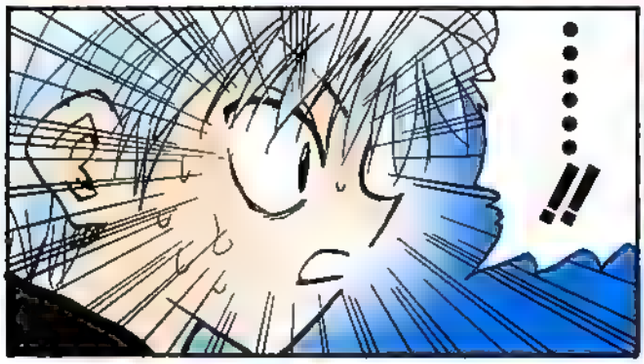

WE JUST GOT UP HERE...
THAT'S STUPID!


IT'S TOO EARLY RIGHT NOW. ◆
LEAVE FOR NOW. ♣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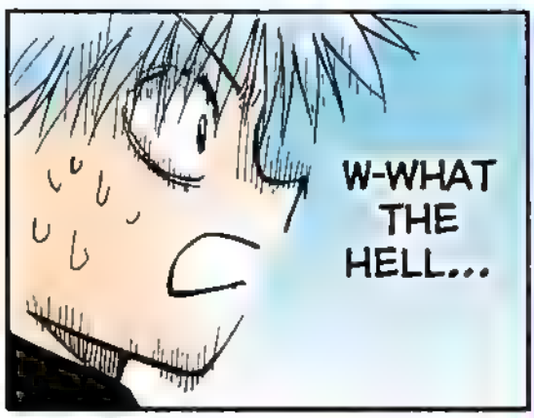
NOT THAT YOU COULD, ANYWAYS.
I WON'T LET YOU PASS. ♠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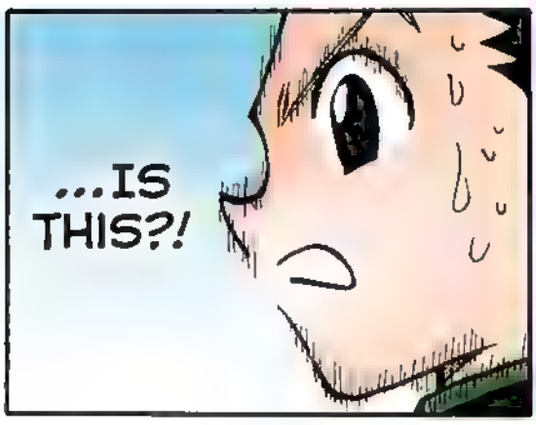
...IS THIS?!

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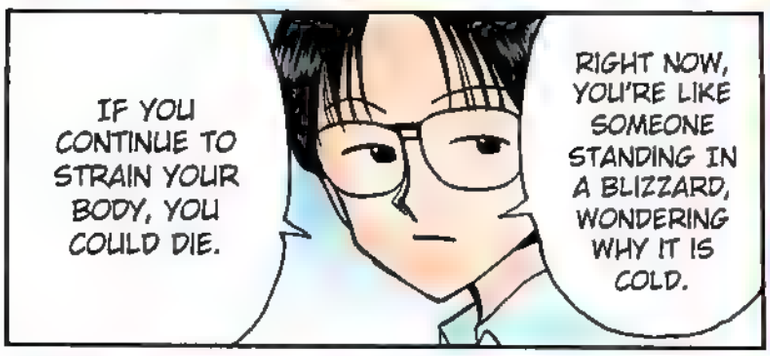
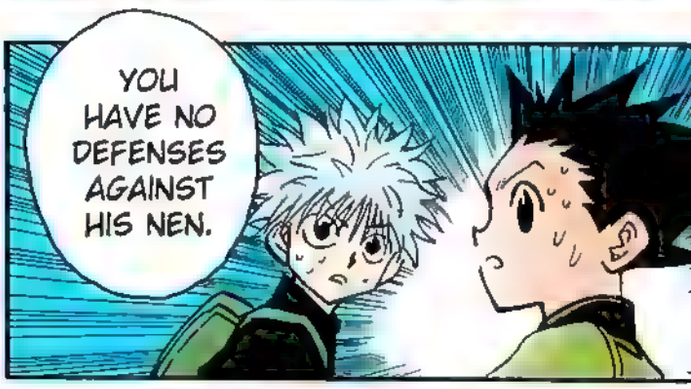
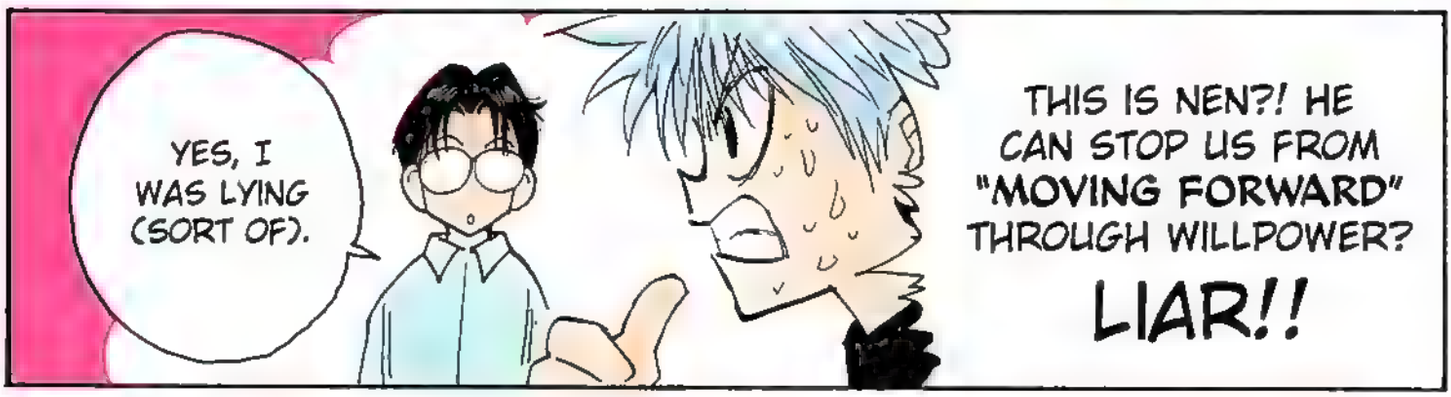
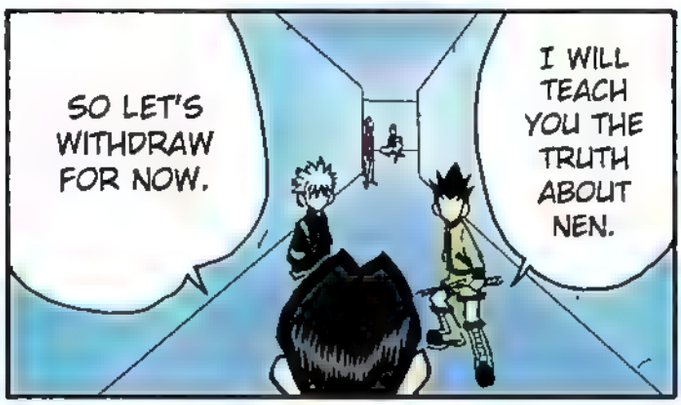
UGH ...

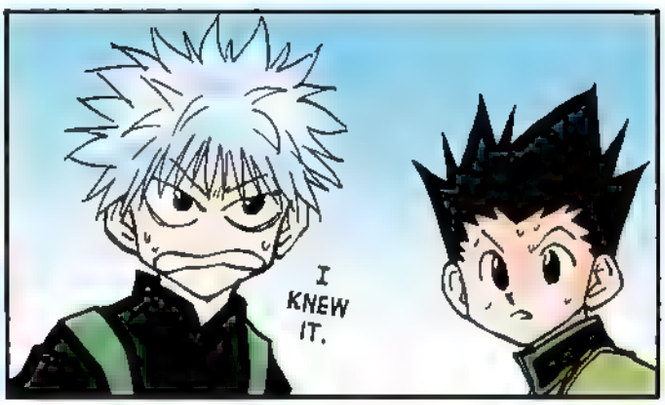
DON'T BE RECKLESS.

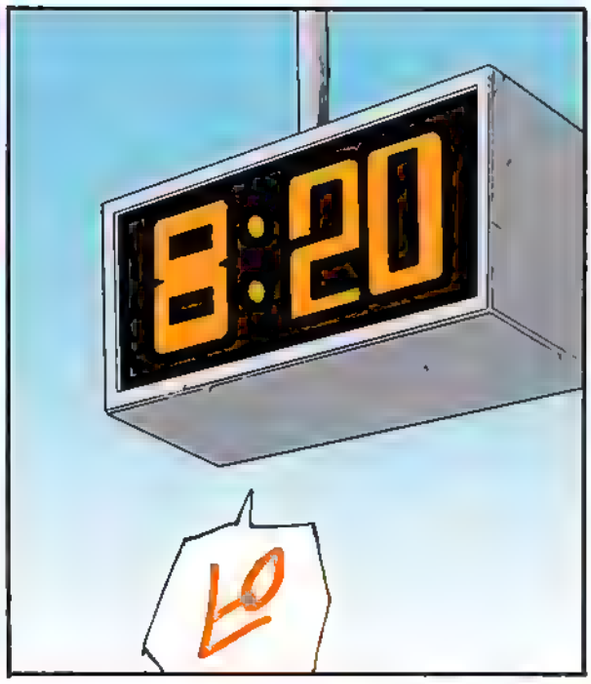

IF YOU CONTINUE TO STRAIN YOUR BODY, YOU COULD DIE.
RIGHT NOW, YOU'RE LIKE SOMEONE STANDING IN A BLIZZARD, WONDERING WHY IT IS COLD.


YOU HAVE NO DEFENSES AGAINST HIS NEN.


YES, I WAS LYING (SORT OF).
THIS IS NEN?! HE CAN STOP US FROM "MOVING FORWARD" THROUGH WILLPOWER?
LIAR!!


SO LET'S WITHDRAW FOR NOW.
I WILL TEACH YOU THE TRUTH ABOUT NEN.


I KNEW IT.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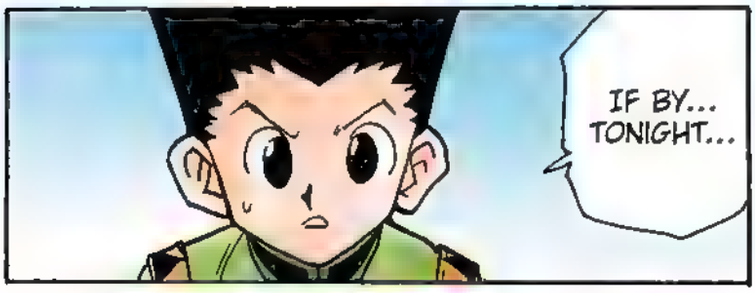
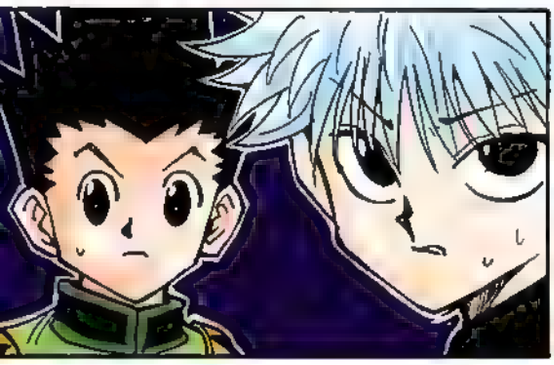
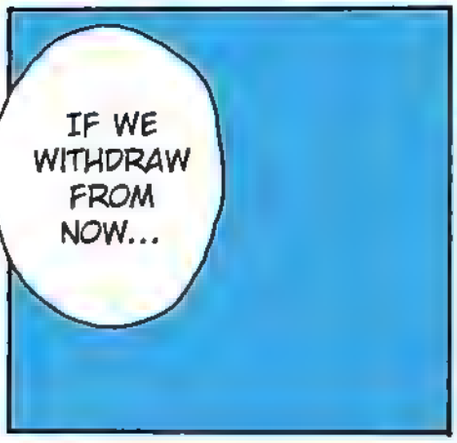
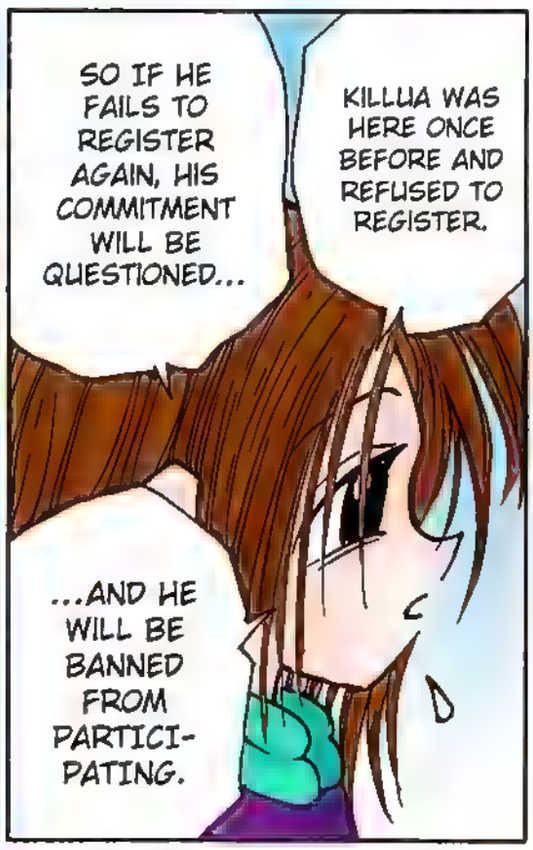
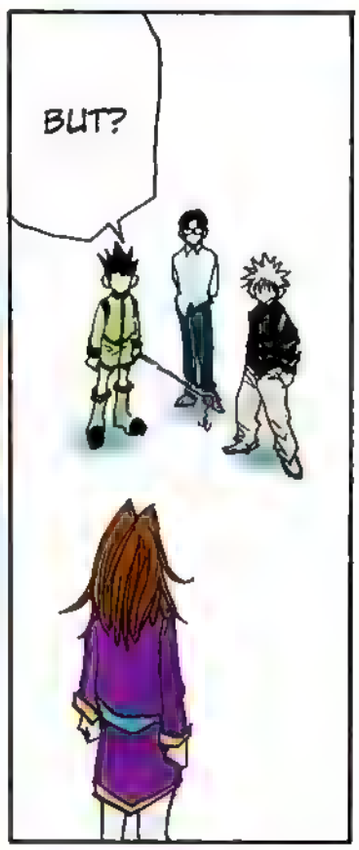

IF BY... TONIGHT...

BUT...
GON, YOU WOULD HAVE TO START AGAIN, FROM THE FIRST FLOOR.
WHAT HAPPENS IF WE DON'T REGISTER FOR A FIGHT TODAY?




IF WE WITHDRAW FROM NOW...


SO IF HE FAILS TO REGISTER AGAIN, HIS COMMITMENT WILL BE QUESTIONED...
KILLUA WAS HERE ONCE BEFORE AND REFUSED TO REGISTER.
...AND HE WILL BE BANNED FROM PARTICI-PATING.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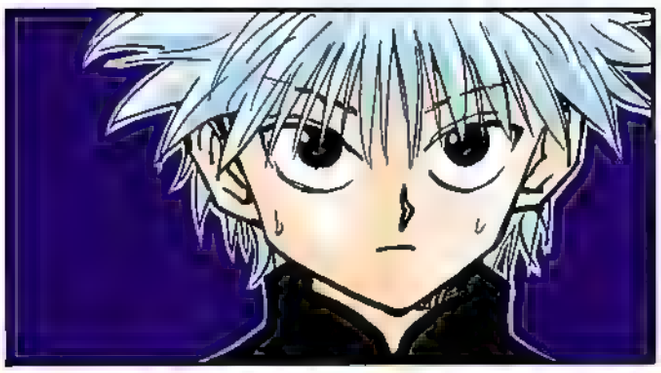
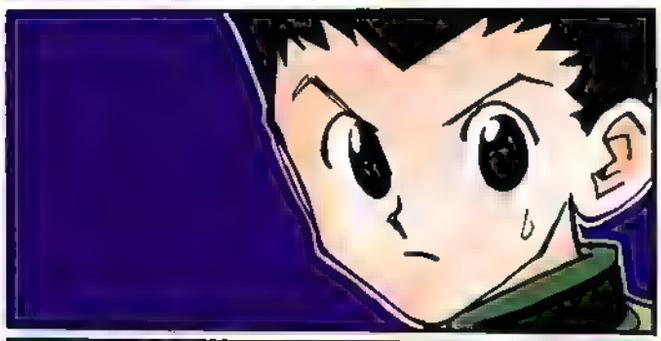
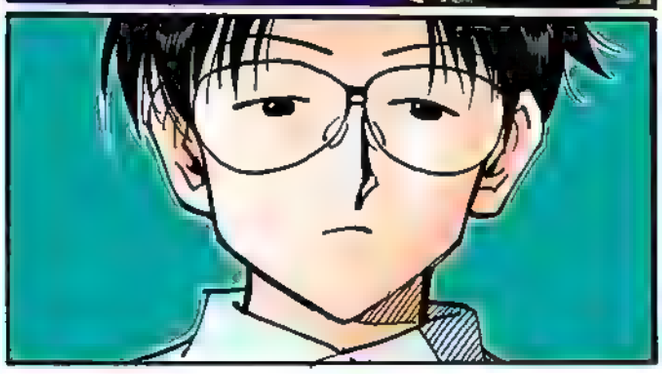
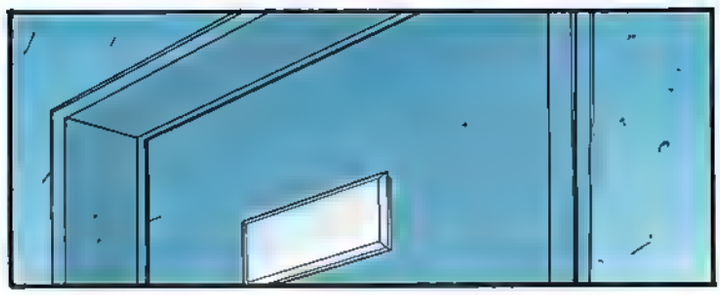
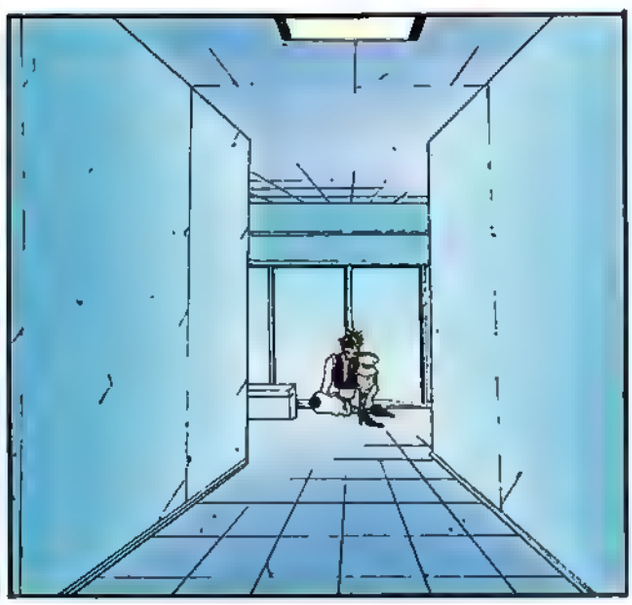


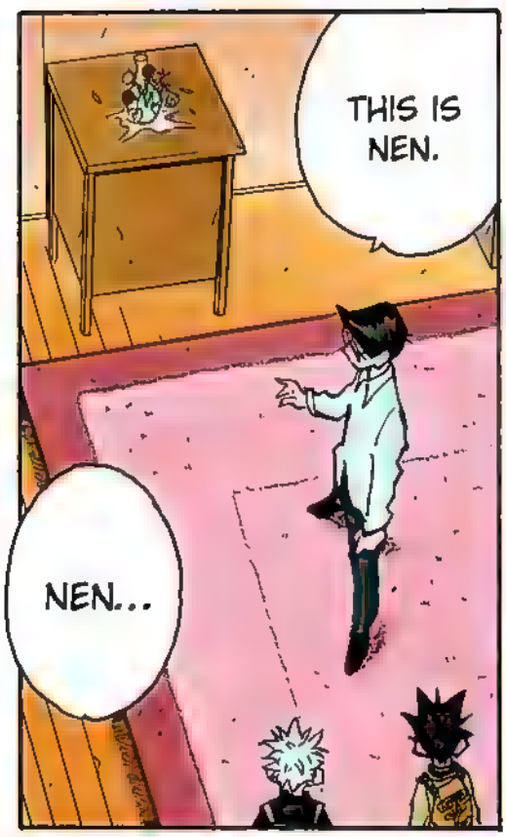


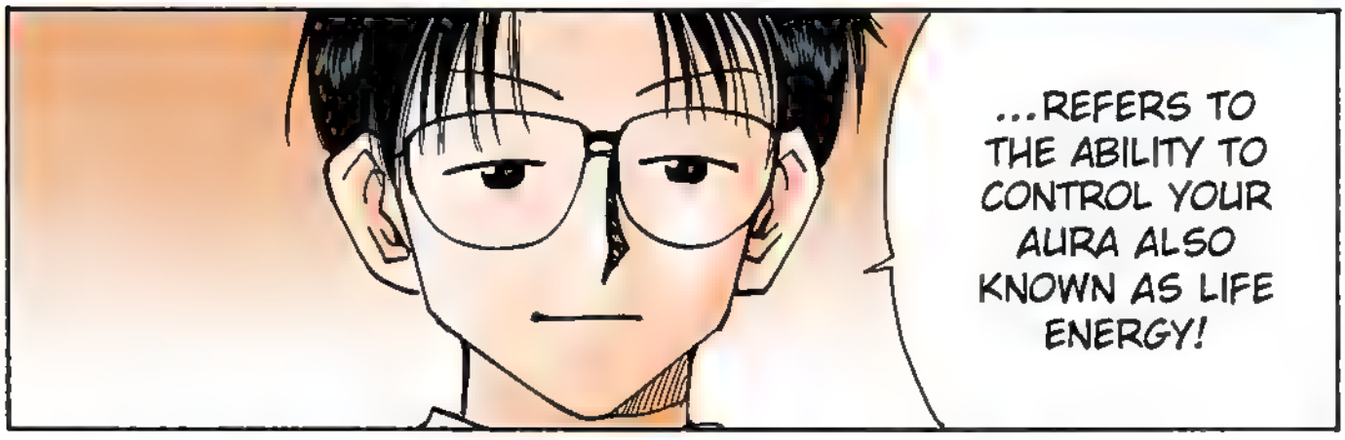


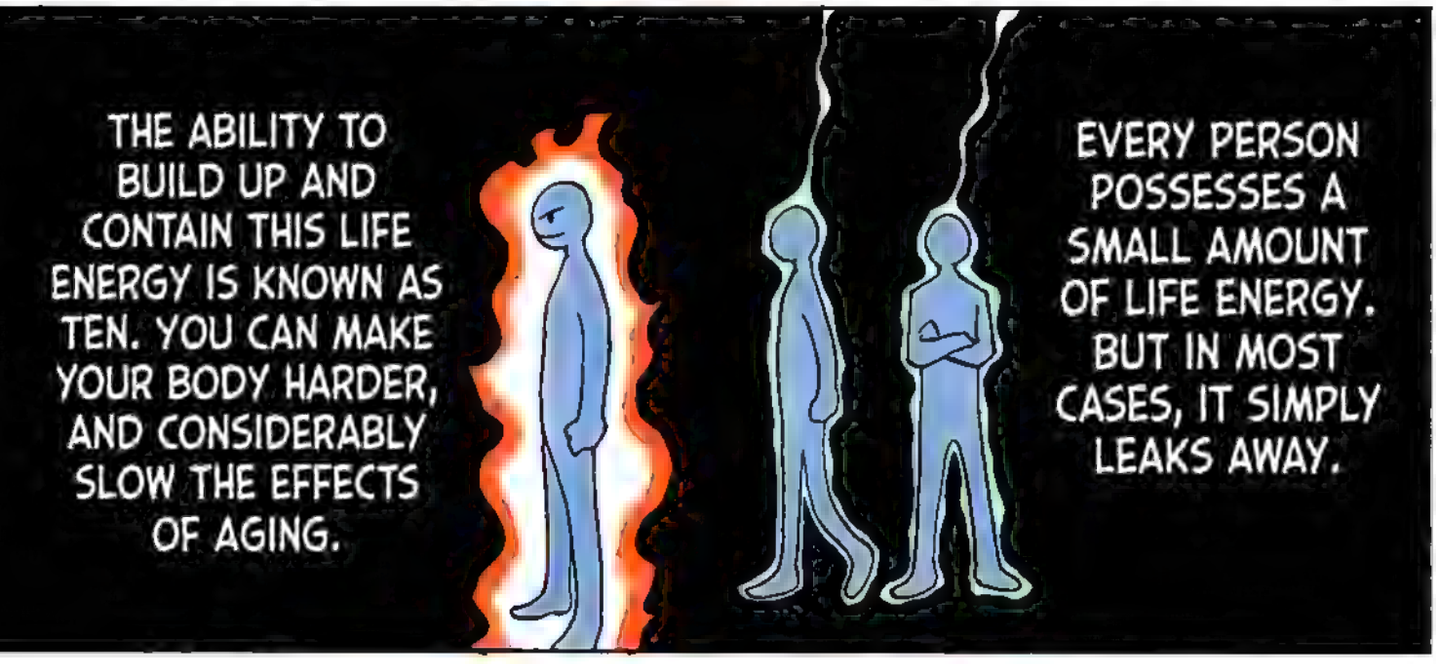
THAT ALL DEPENDS ON YOU.

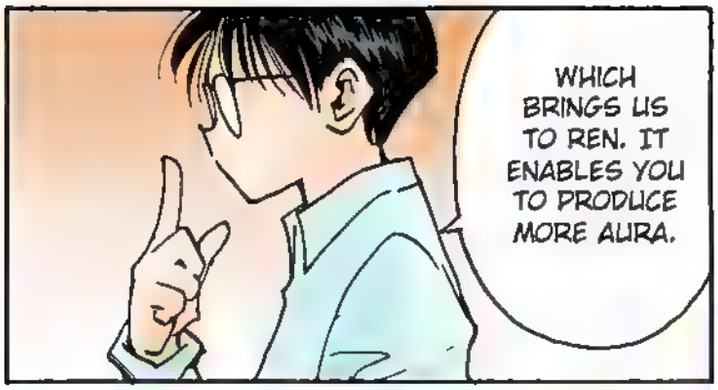


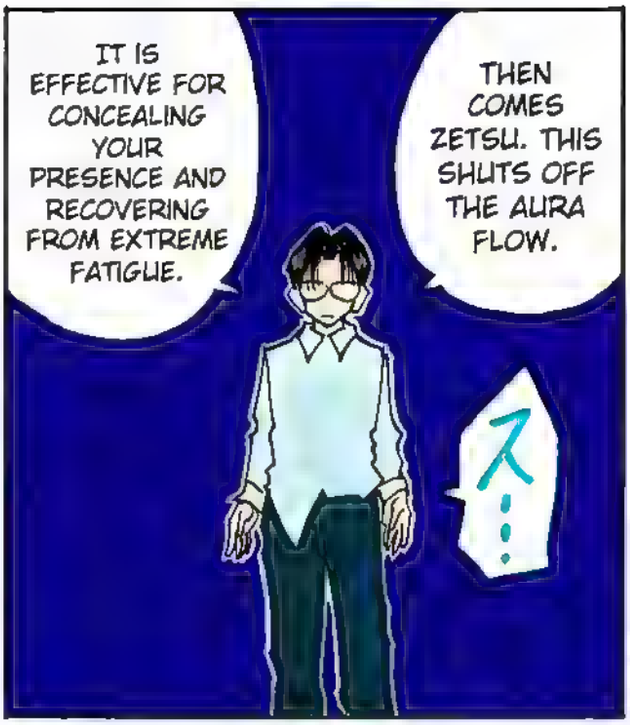



THIS IS NEN.
NEN...


...REFERS TO THE ABILITY TO CONTROL YOUR AURA ALSO KNOWN AS LIFE ENERGY!


THE ABILITY TO BUILD UP AND CONTAIN THIS LIFE ENERGY IS KNOWN AS TEN. YOU CAN MAKE YOUR BODY HARDER, AND CONSIDERABLY SLOW THE EFFECTS OF AGING.
EVERY PERSON POSSESSES A SMALL AMOUNT OF LIFE ENERGY. BUT IN MOST CASES, IT SIMPLY LEAKS AWAY.


WHICH BRINGS US TO REN. IT ENABLES YOU TO PRODUCE MORE AURA.


IT IS EFFECTIVE FOR CONCEALING YOUR PRESENCE AND RECOVERING FROM EXTREME FATIGUE.
THEN COMES ZETSU. THIS SHUTS OFF THE AURA FLOW.
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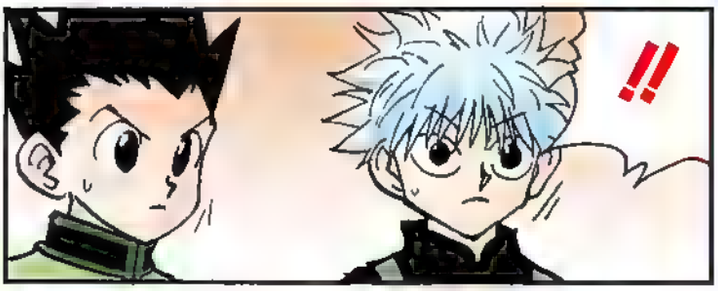
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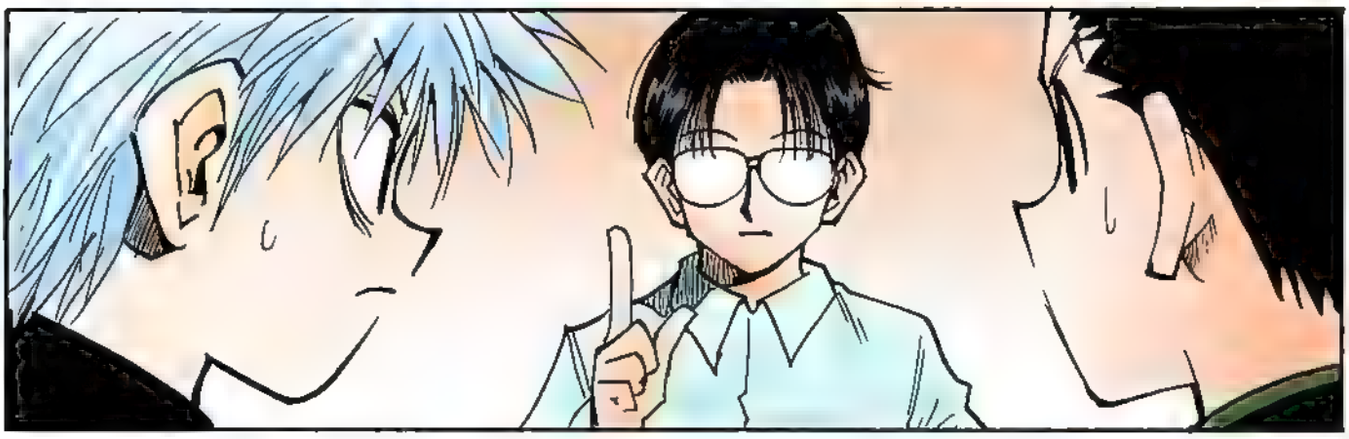
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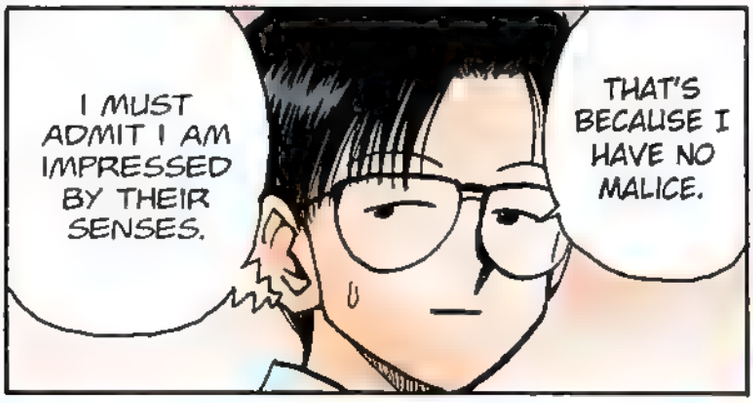
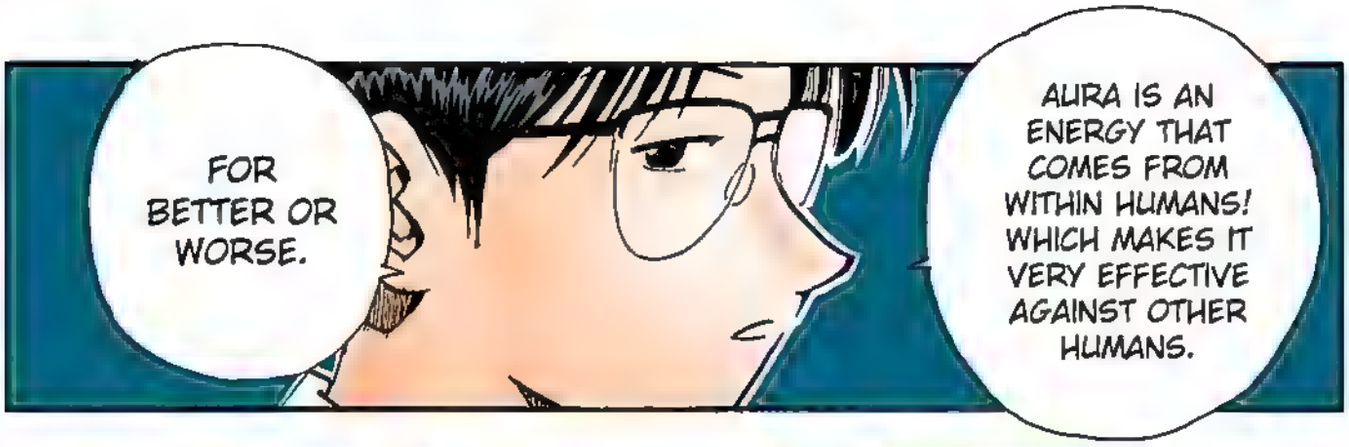
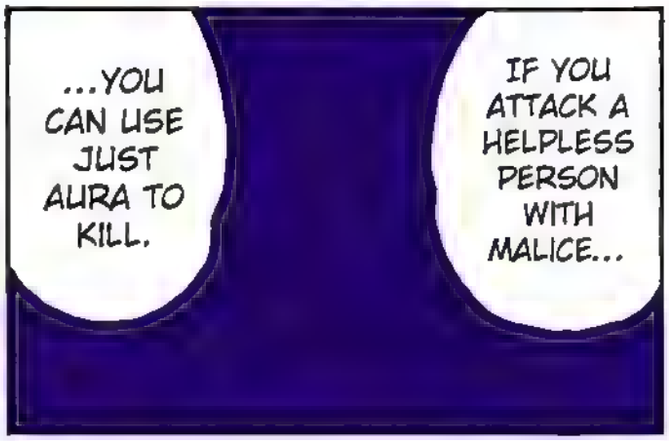

I MUST ADMIT I AM IMPRESSED BY THEIR SENSES.
THAT'S BECAUSE I HAVE NO MALICE.

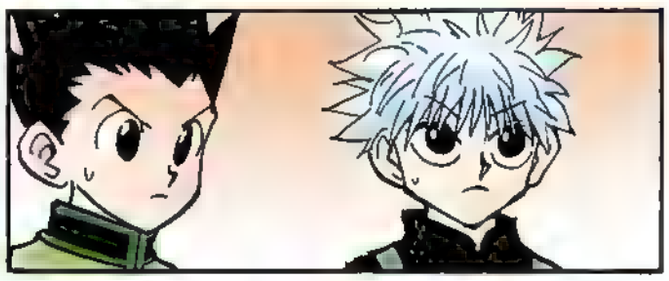
BUT THEIR INBORN GIFTS ARE ALSO MAJOR FACTORS.
PERHAPS IT'S BECAUSE OF THE ENVIRONMENTS IN WHICH THEY GREW UP.

YEAH... I CAN FEEL THE PRESSURE.
CAN YOU FEEL THAT?
BUT IT DOESN'T FEEL WEIRD OR CREEPY.

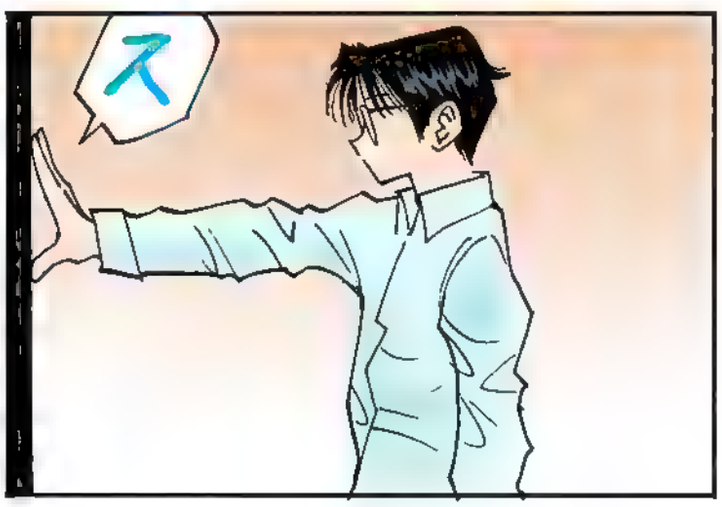

FOR BETTER OR WORSE.
AURA IS AN ENERGY THAT COMES FROM WITHIN HUMANS! WHICH MAKES IT VERY EFFECTIVE AGAINST OTHER HUMANS.

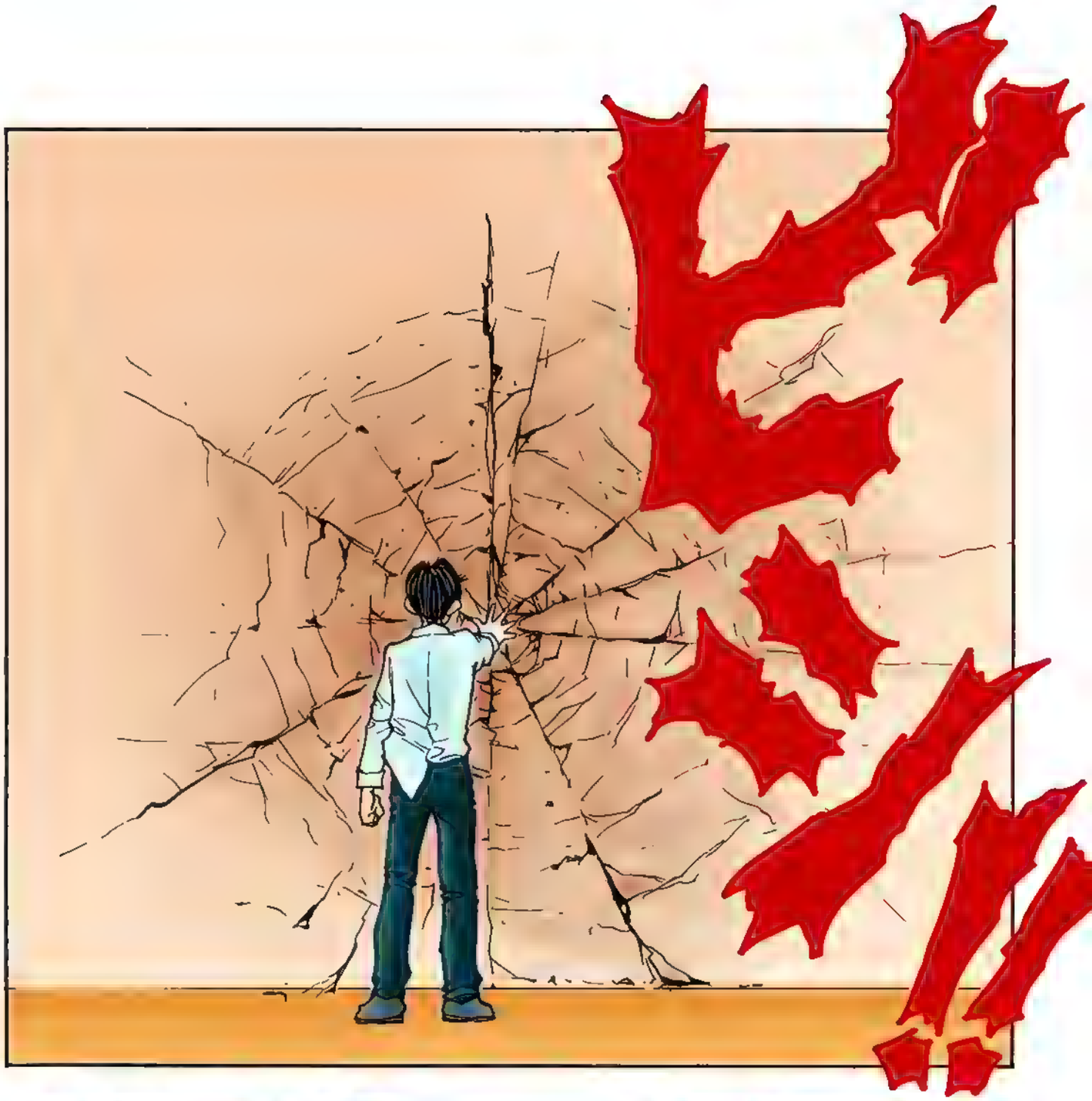
YOU MUST ALSO LEARN TO USE NEN.
ONLY ONE THING CAN PROTECT YOU FROM SOMEONE WHO USES NEN.
YOU MUST USE TEN FOR DEFENSE.

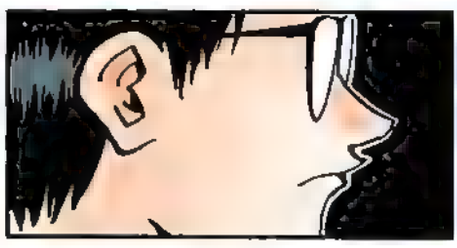

...YOU CAN USE JUST AURA TO KILL.
IF YOU ATTACK A HELPLESS PERSON WITH MALICE...

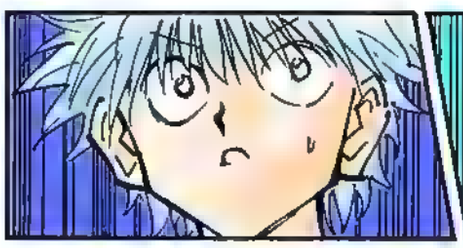


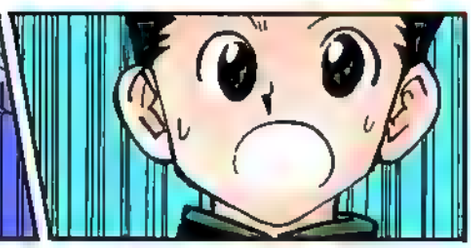
OTHER-WISE...
BLOCK THE OTHER PERSON'S AURA WITH YOUR OWN.



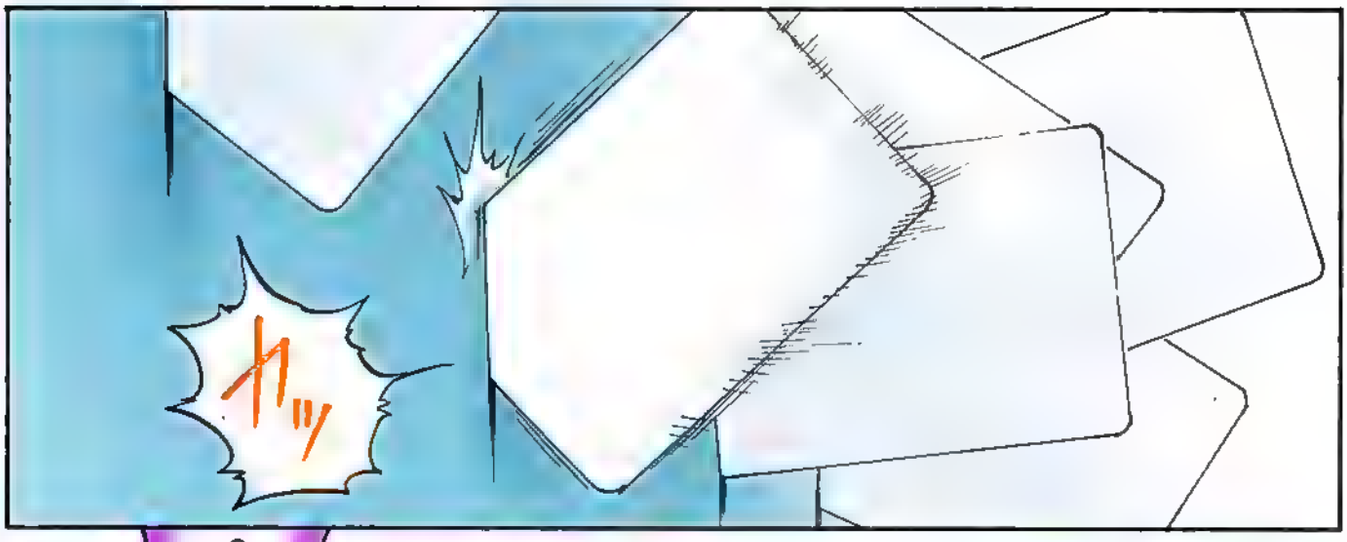








YOUR BODY WILL BE SHATTERED.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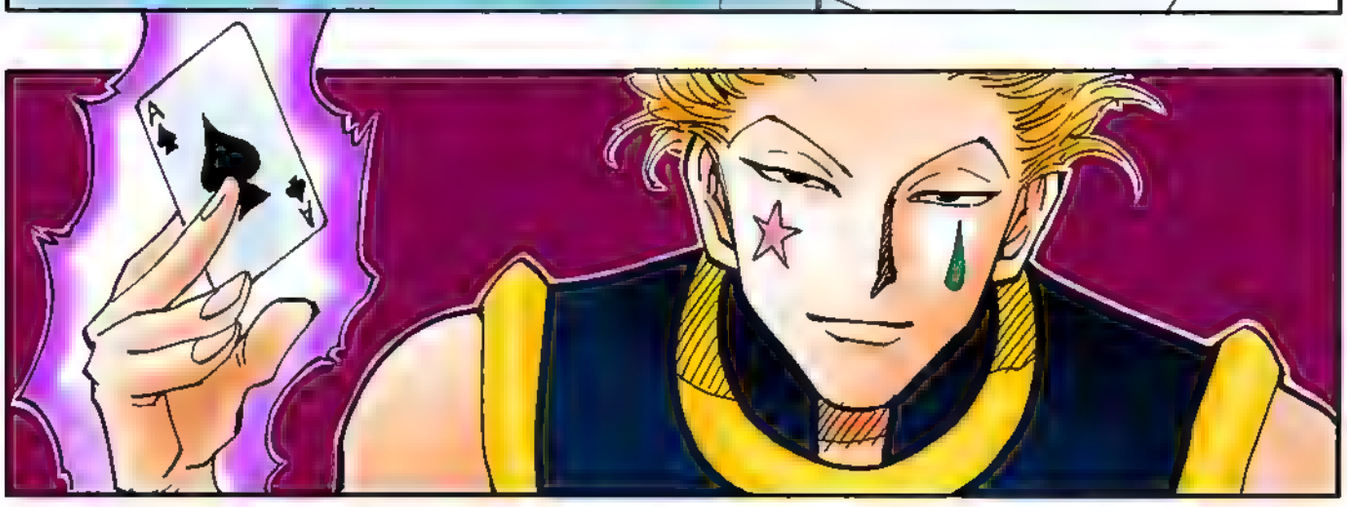

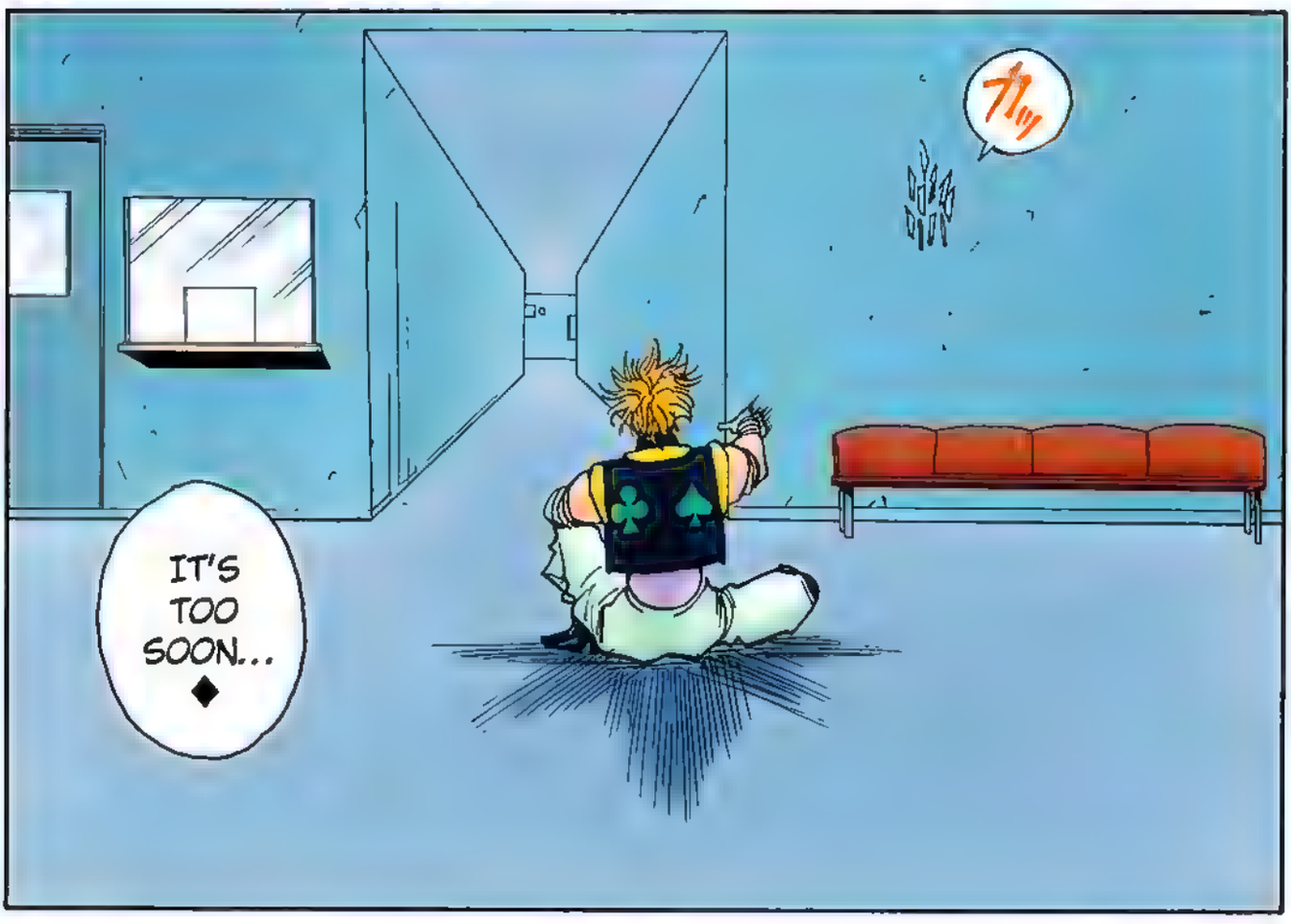
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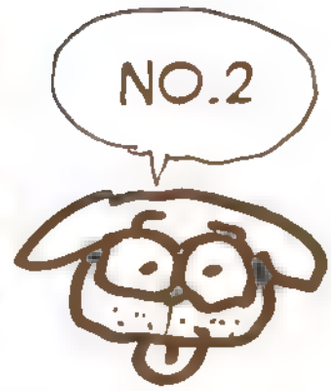
IT'S TOO SOON...

HISTORY OF TITLES



LEVEL E

THIS WASN'T ITS INITIAL TITLE, EITHER. WHEN I GOT THE GO-AHEAD, I ONLY HAD ONE EPISODE'S WORTH OF STORY. I'D PLANNED TO HAVE A DIFFERENT PROTAGONIST EVERY EPISODE (OR EVERY STORY ARC). SINCE IT WAS ABOUT ALIENS, I HAD CALLED IT "ALIEN CRISIS." BUT I WAS TOLD IT SOUNDED TOO STRAIGHTFOWARD, SO I CAME UP WITH "LEVEL E." THE REASON? I'D JUST RENTED A MOVIE CALLED "LEVEL 4". (AND THAT WAS THE ONLY REASON.) ALSO, THE "E" WAS SUPPOSED TO STAND FOR "ALIEN," BUT THEN MY EDITOR POINTED OUT, "ALIEN IS SPELLED WITH AN A." SO I CAME UP WITH A LAME EXCUSE: "I WAS THINKING OF EXTRATERRESTIAL." BY THE WAY, MY SORRY SKILLS EARN ME 70 OUT OF 200 TOTAL POINTS ON THE JAPANESE FIRST-STAGE ACHIEVEMENT TEST IN ENGLISH.

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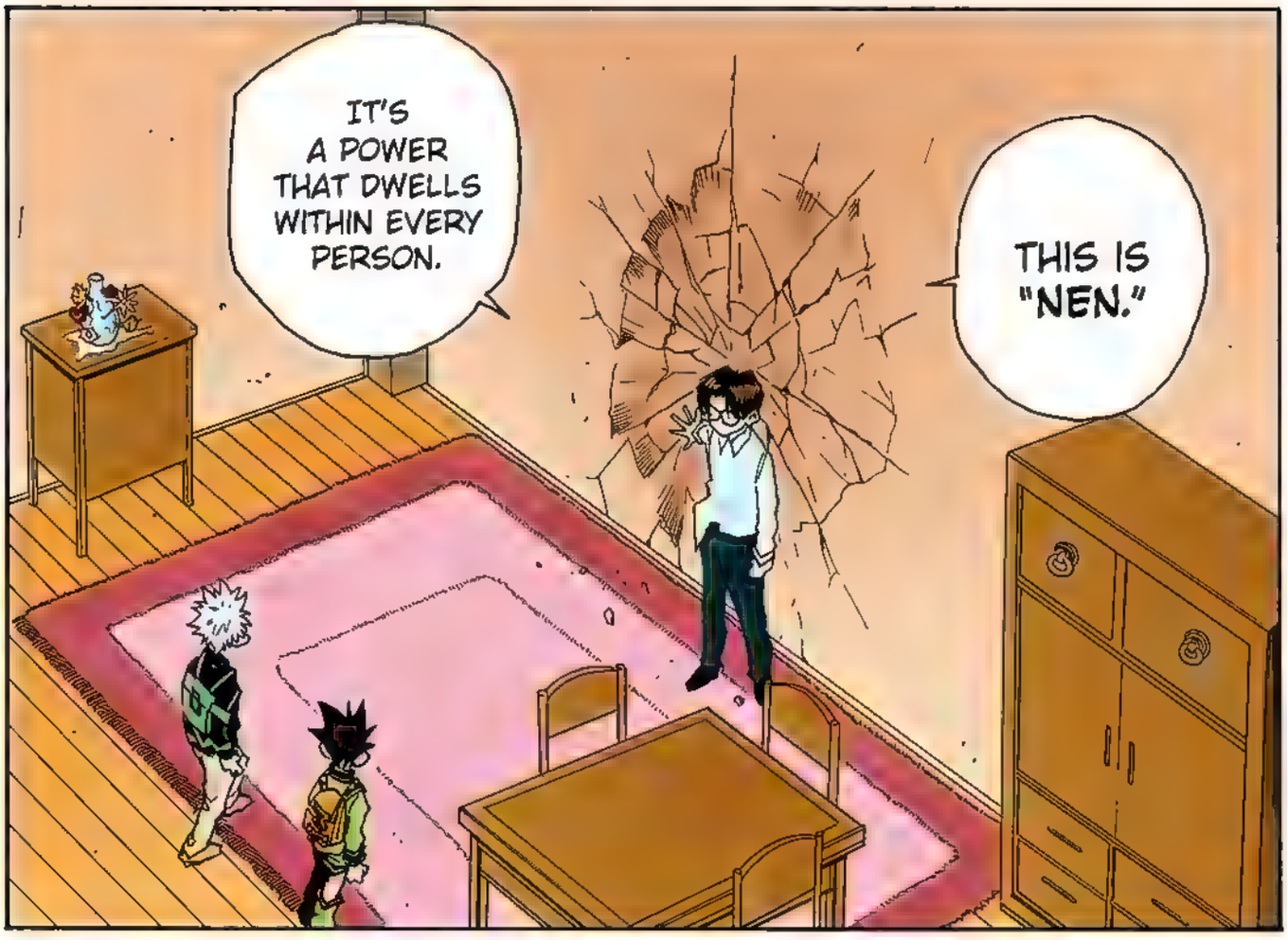

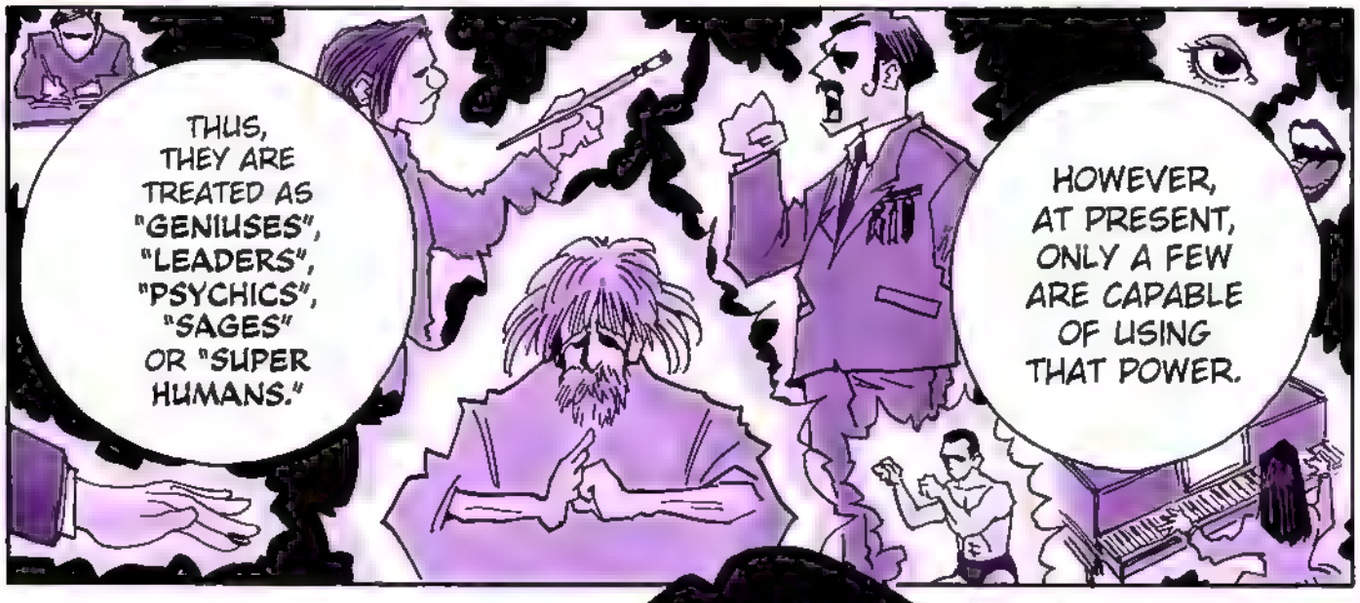

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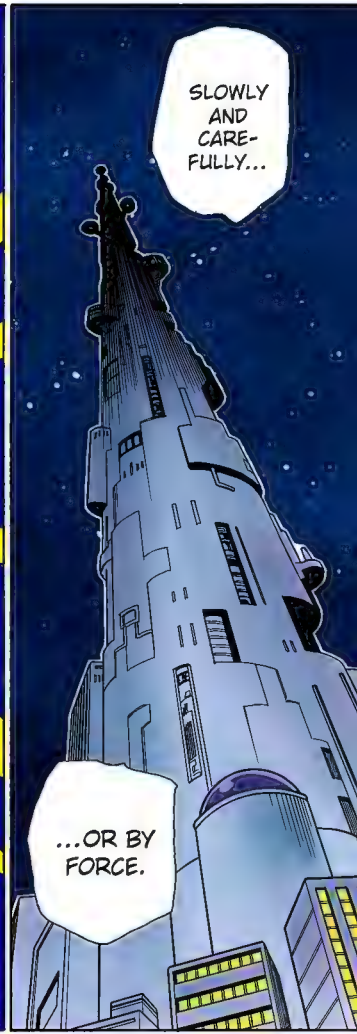
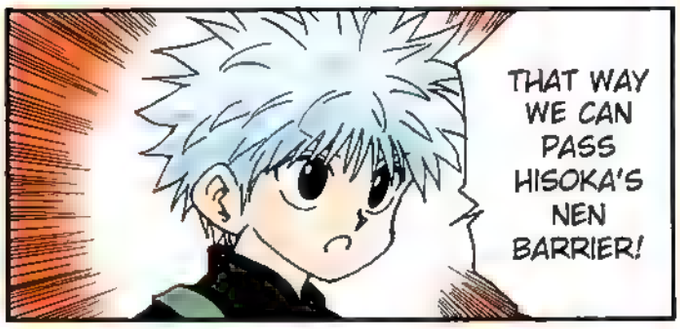
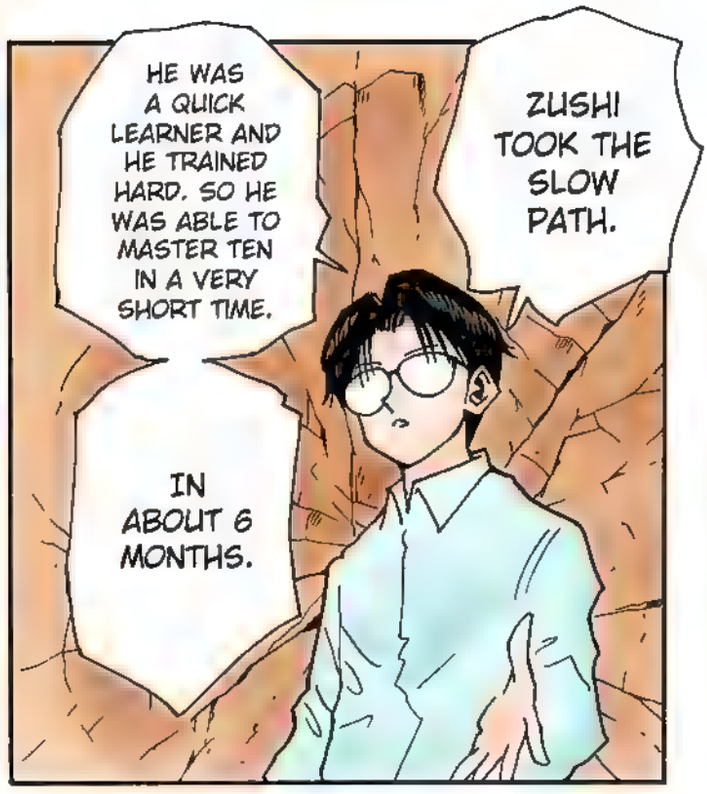
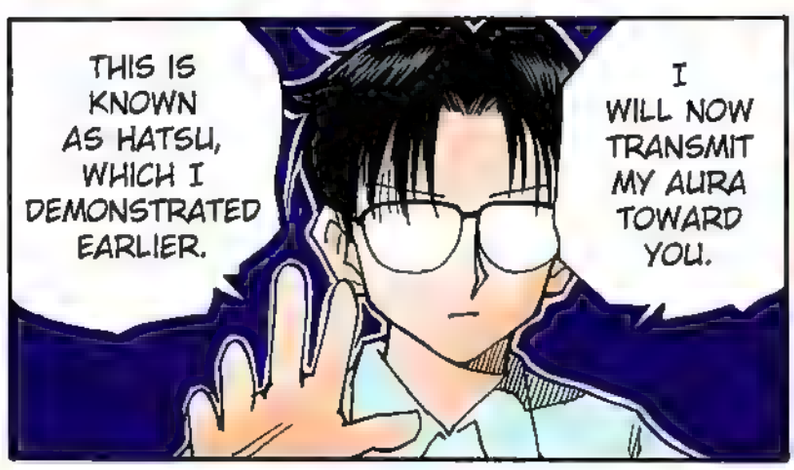

SLOWLY AND CARE-FULLY...
...OR BY FORCE.

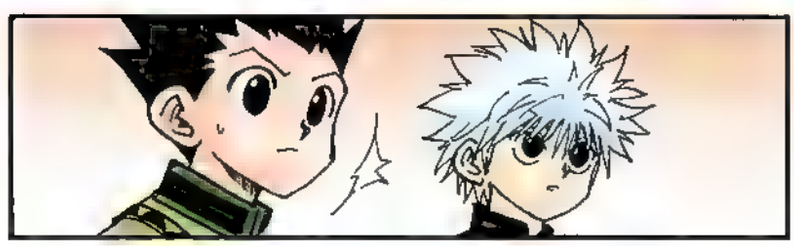
WE NEED TO LEARN TEN BY MIDNIGHT...
THAT'S TOO LONG!!

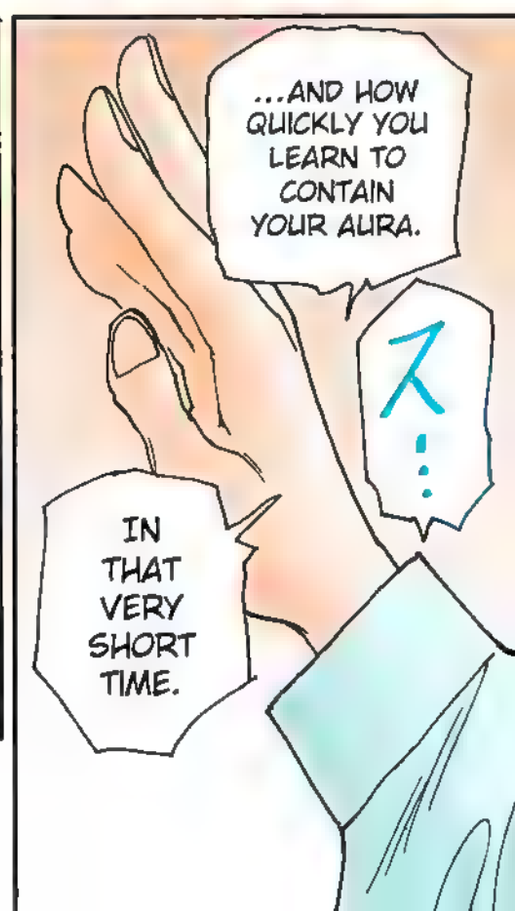

THAT WAY WE CAN PASS HISOKA'S NEN BARRIER!


ZUSHI TOOK THE SLOW PATH.
HE WAS A QUICK LEARNER AND HE TRAINED HARD. SO HE WAS ABLE TO MASTER TEN IN A VERY SHORT TIME.
IN ABOUT 6 MONTHS.

WILL IT BE QUICK ENOUGH?
THAT DEPENDS ON YOU...
THEN THERE'S NO CHOICE. WE MUST USE FORCE.


THIS IS KNOWN AS HATSU, WHICH I DEMONSTRATED EARLIER.
I WILL NOW TRANSMIT MY AURA TOWARD YOU.




...AND HOW QUICKLY YOU LEARN TO CONTAIN YOUR AURA.
ス...
IN THAT VERY SHORT TIME.

HOWEVER, THIS METHOD IS STILL DRASTIC.
OF COURSE, I WISH YOU NO HARM SO I WILL GO EASY.
IN OTHER WORDS, I WILL ATTEMPT TO SHOCK YOU INTO AWAKENING IT.

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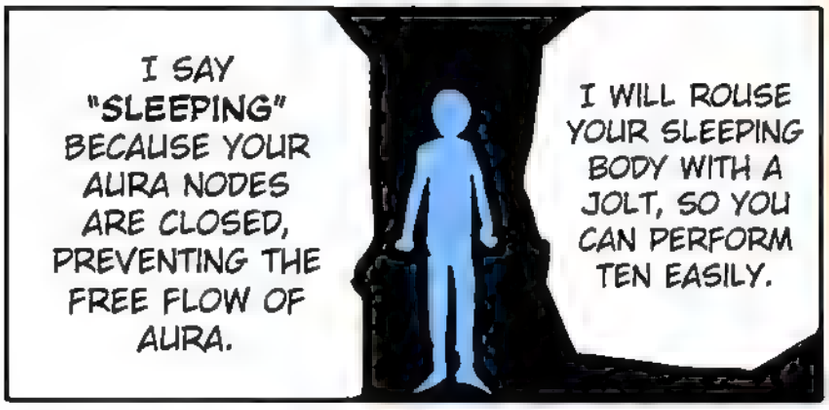
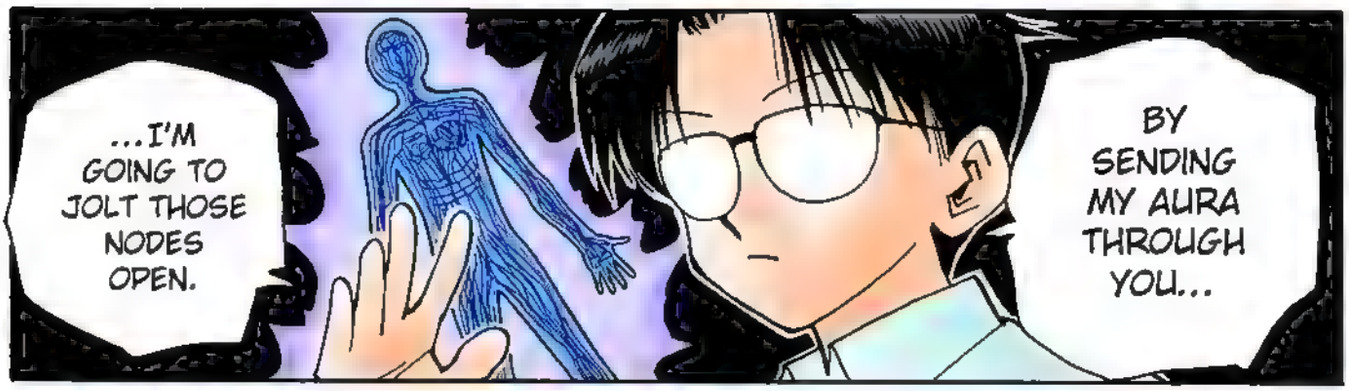
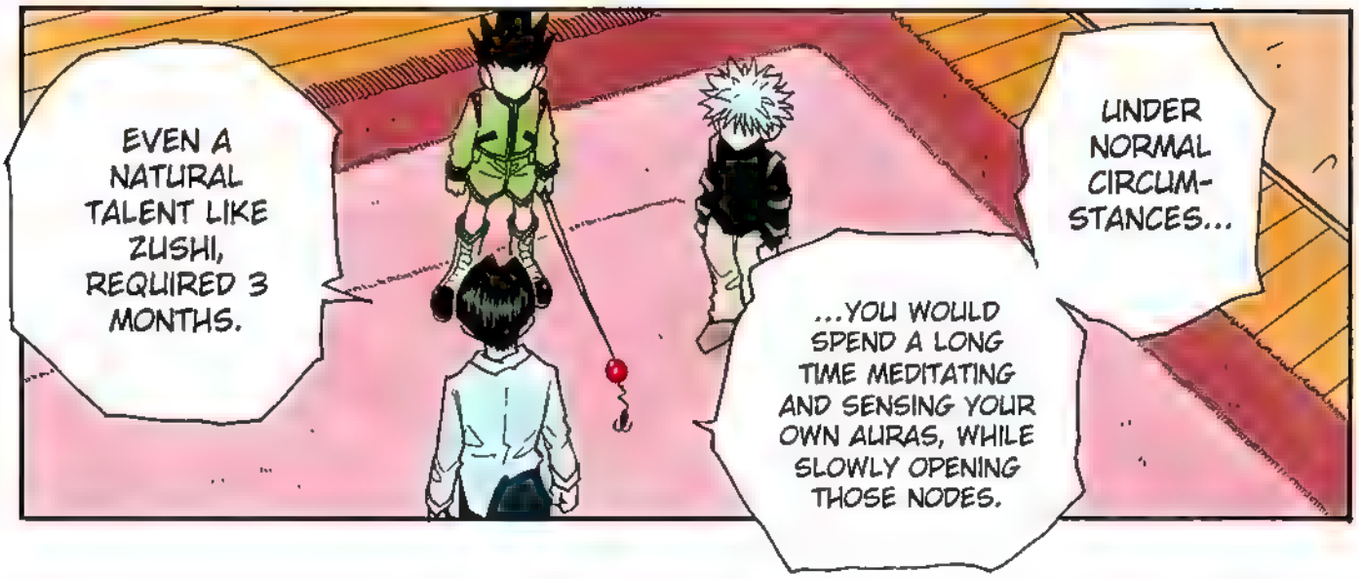
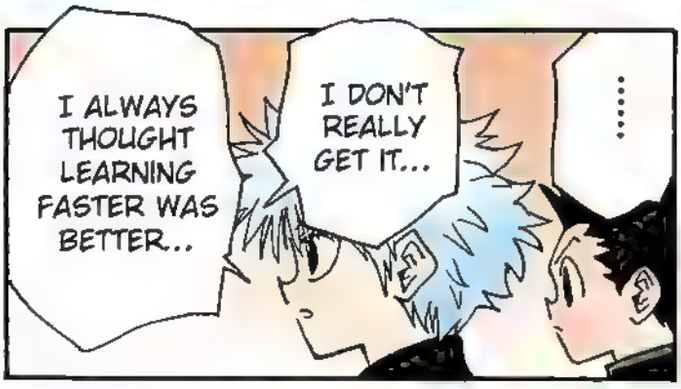

I SAY "SLEEPING" BECAUSE YOUR AURA NODES ARE CLOSED, PREVENTING THE FREE FLOW OF AURA.
I WILL ROUSE YOUR SLEEPING BODY WITH A JOLT, SO YOU CAN PERFORM TEN EASILY.


...I'M GOING TO JOLT THOSE NODES OPEN.
BY SENDING MY AURA THROUGH YOU...


EVEN A NATURAL TALENT LIKE ZUSHI, REQUIRED 3 MONTHS.
UNDER NORMAL CIRCUM-STANCES...
...YOU WOULD SPEND A LONG TIME MEDITATING AND SENSING YOUR OWN AURAS, WHILE SLOWLY OPENING THOSE NODES.

MAYBE EVEN LESS IN A SHORT AMOUND OF TIME.
HOWEVER, YOU TWO COULD DO IT IN A WEEK!


I ALWAYS THOUGHT LEARNING FASTER WAS BETTER...
I DON'T REALLY GET IT...
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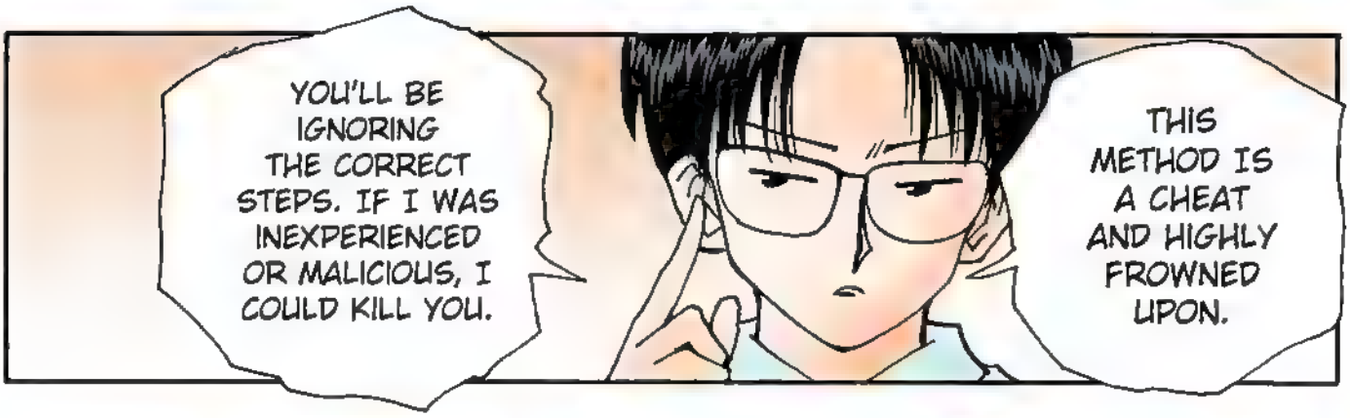
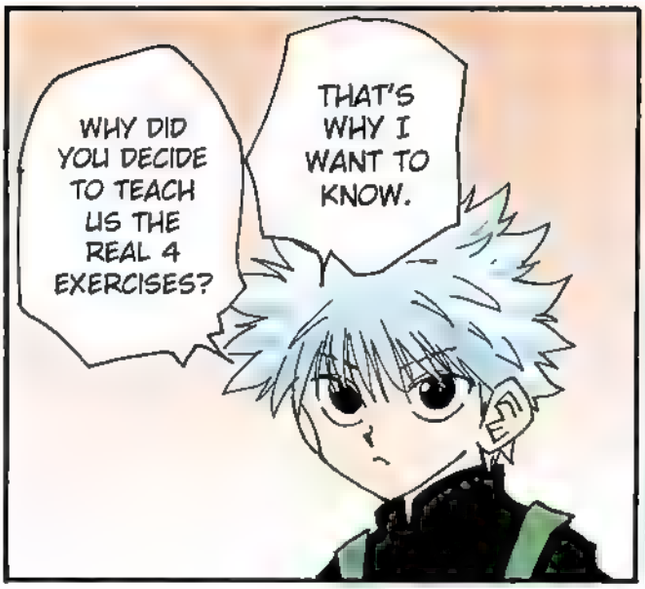
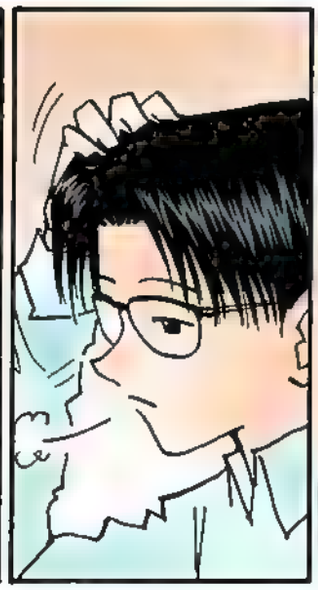
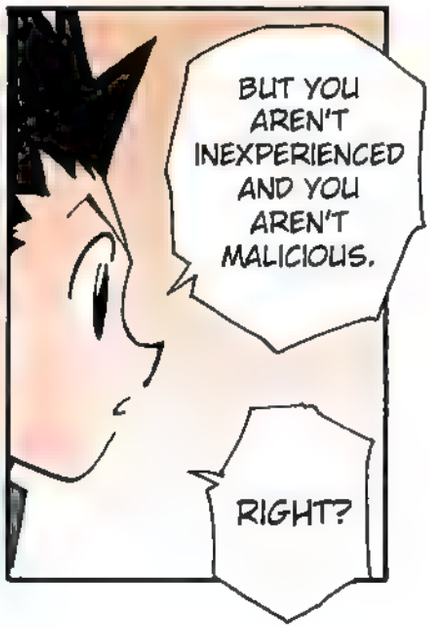
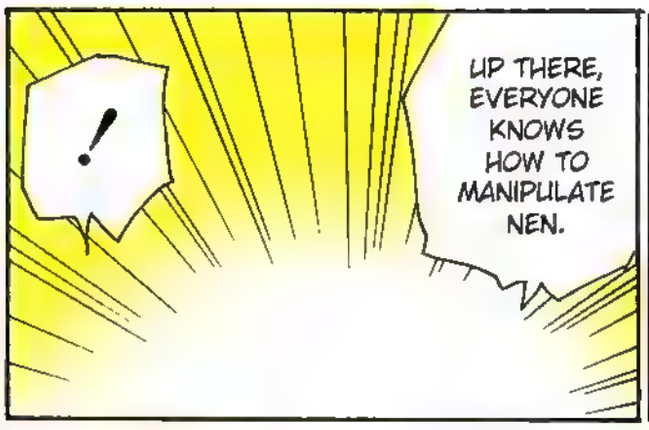
...THAT WE ARE FORCED TO TAKE SUCH DRASTIC MEASURES.
WHICH IS WHY I FIND IT UNFOR-TUNATE...


YOU'LL BE IGNORING THE CORRECT STEPS. IF I WAS INEXPERIENCED OR MALICIOUS, I COULD KILL YOU.
THIS METHOD IS A CHEAT AND HIGHLY FROWNED UPON.


WHY DID YOU DECIDE TO TEACH US THE REAL 4 EXERCISES?
THAT'S WHY I WANT TO KNOW.




BUT YOU AREN'T INEXPERIENCED AND YOU AREN'T MALICIOUS.
RIGHT?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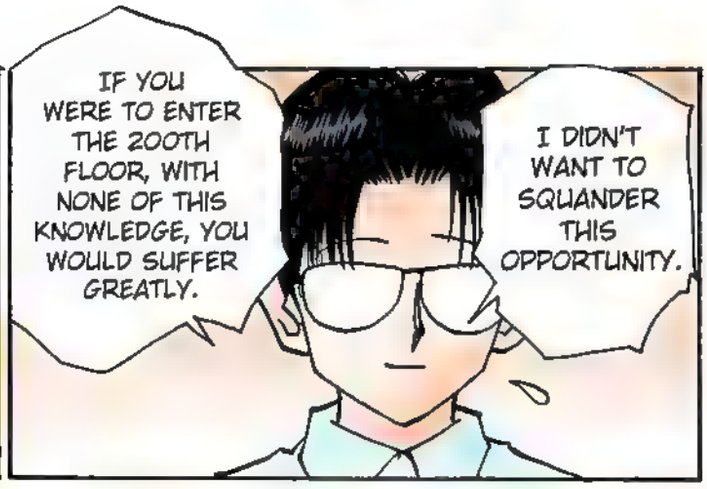
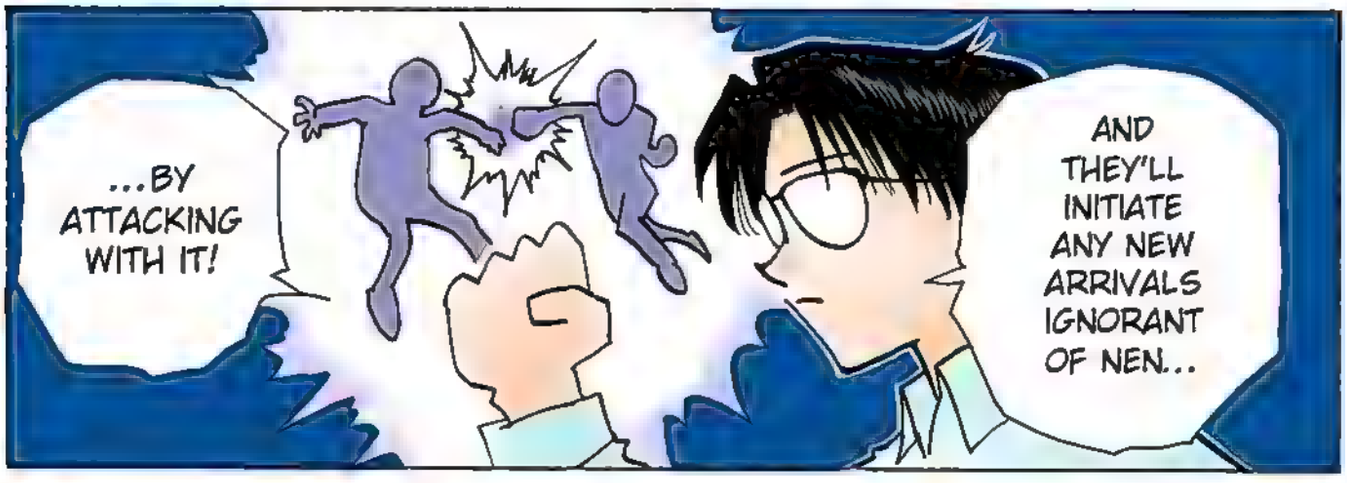
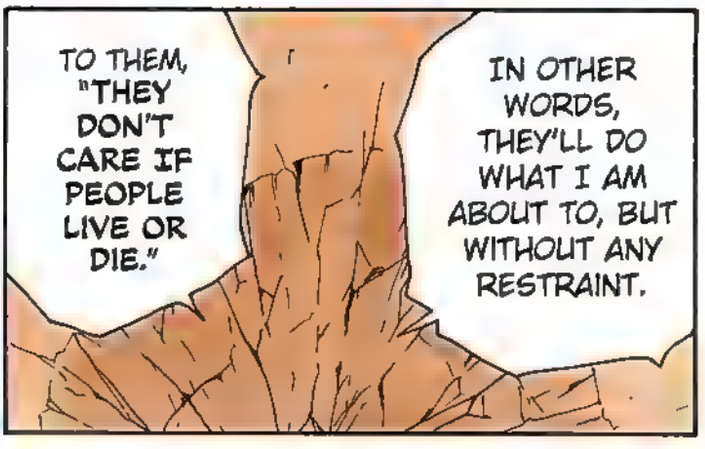
UP THERE, EVERYONE KNOWS HOW TO MANIPULATE NEN.


IF YOU WERE TO ENTER THE 200TH FLOOR, WITH NONE OF THIS KNOWLEDGE, YOU WOULD SUFFER GREATLY.
I DIDN'T WANT TO SQUANDER THIS OPPORTUNITY.


...BY ATTACKING WITH IT!
AND THEY'LL INITIATE ANY NEW ARRIVALS IGNORANT OF NEN...

...AS THE CHOSEN ONES.
ONLY THOSE WHO SURVIVE ARE WELCOMED TO DWELL THERE...


TO THEM, "THEY DON'T CARE IF PEOPLE LIVE OR DIE."
IN OTHER WORDS, THEY'LL DO WHAT I AM ABOUT TO, BUT WITHOUT ANY RESTRAINT.

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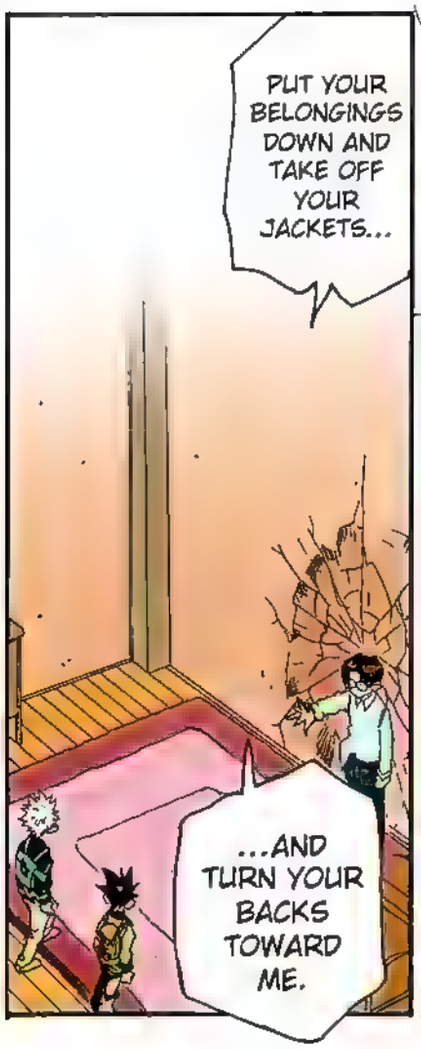
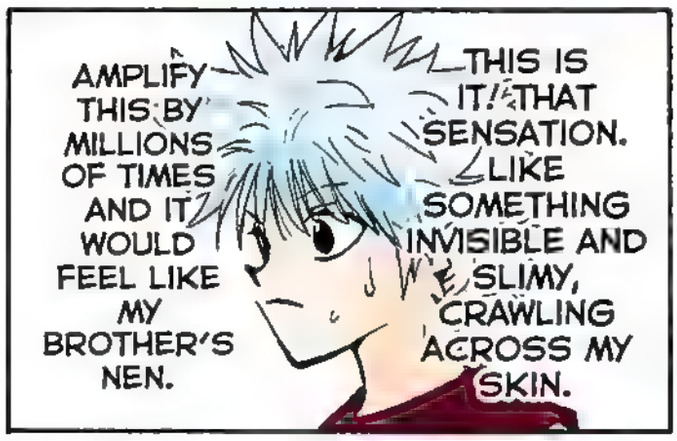
THAT'S WHY...
...I WANTED YOU TO BE PREPARED.
HOWEVER, THEY'VE PAID A STEEP PRICE.

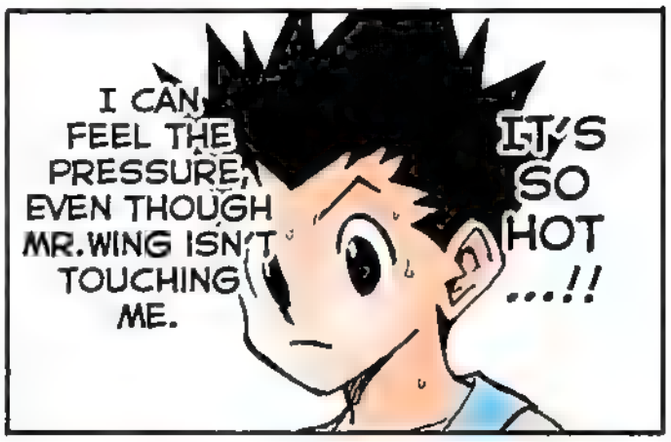
I WAS VERY IMPRES-SED...

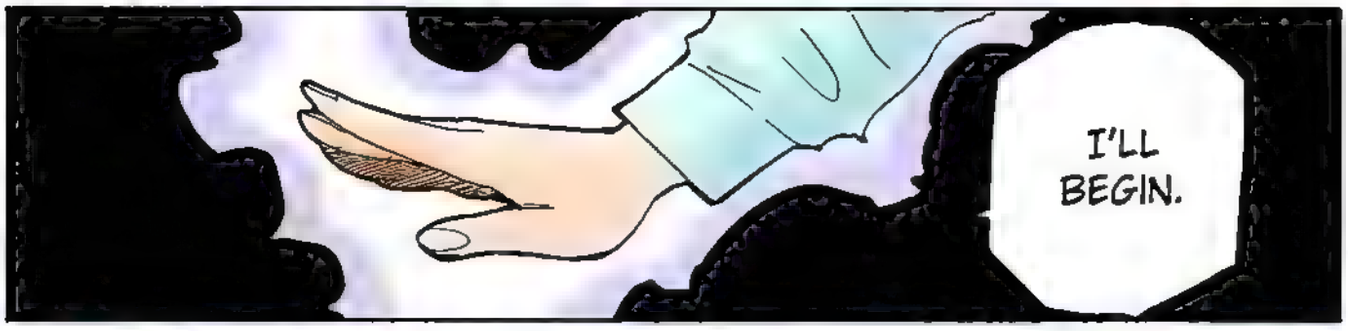

PUT YOUR BELONGINGS DOWN AND TAKE OFF YOUR JACKETS...
...AND TURN YOUR BACKS TOWARD ME.

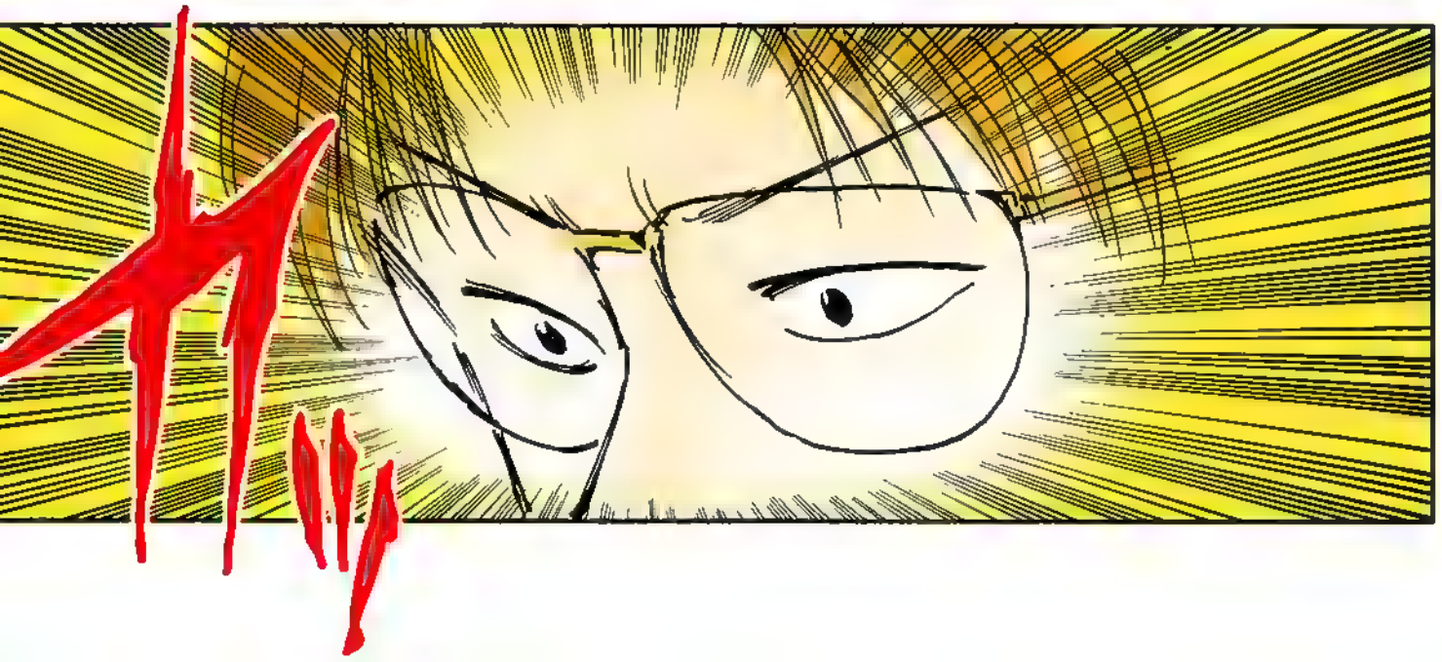
...BY YOUR REN.

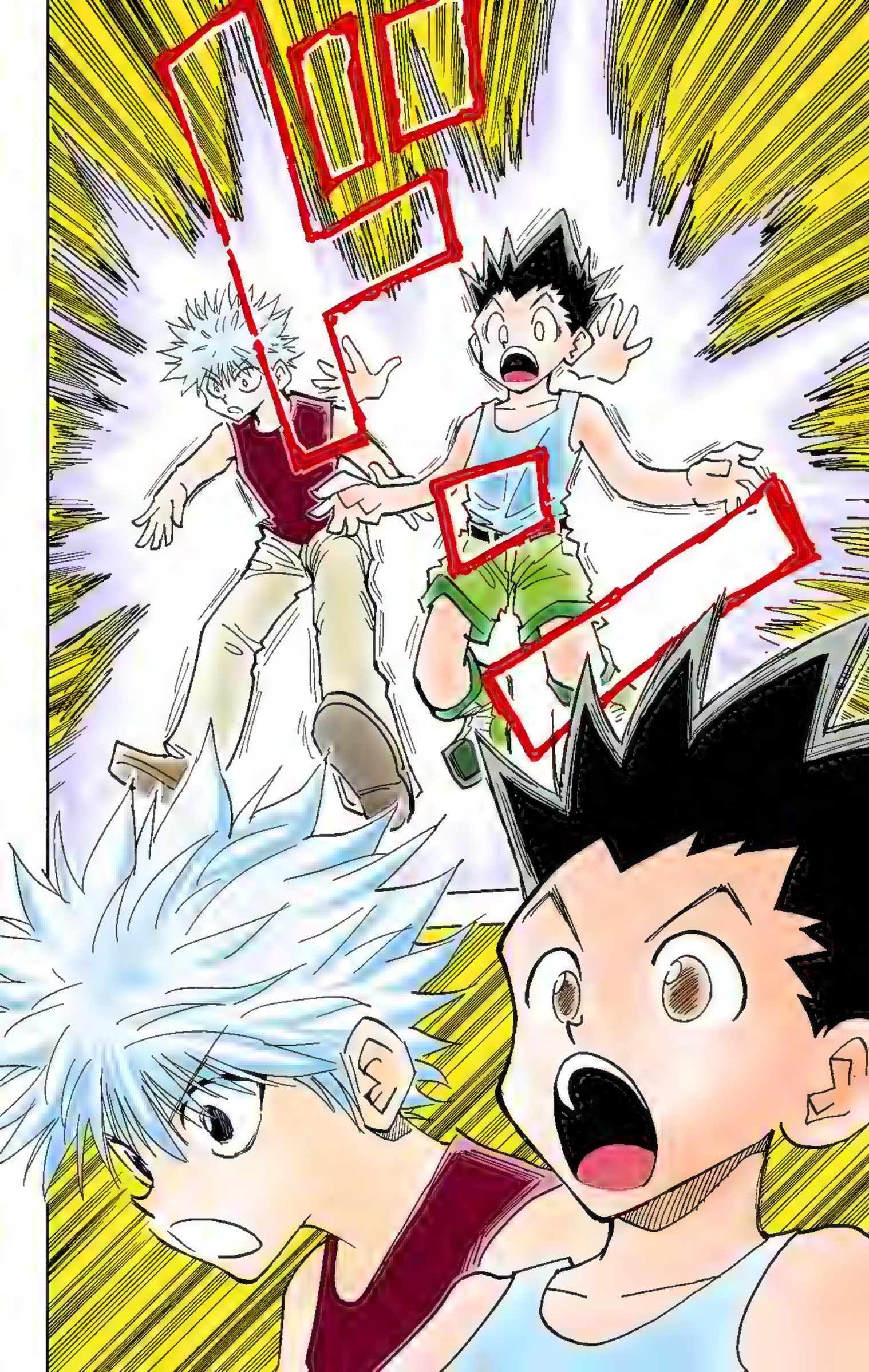
...BUT I BELIEVE YOU WILL AWAKEN IT WITH THIS METHOD.
I KNOW EVERY-THING I SAID WASN'T VERY ENCOU-RAGING...
YOU HAVE THE TALENT!
AS WELL AS THE ABILITY!


AMPLIFY THIS BY MILLIONS OF TIMES AND IT WOULD FEEL LIKE MY BROTHER'S NEN.
THIS IS IT! THAT SENSATION. LIKE SOMETHING INVISIBLE AND SLIMY, CRAWLING ACROSS MY SKIN.

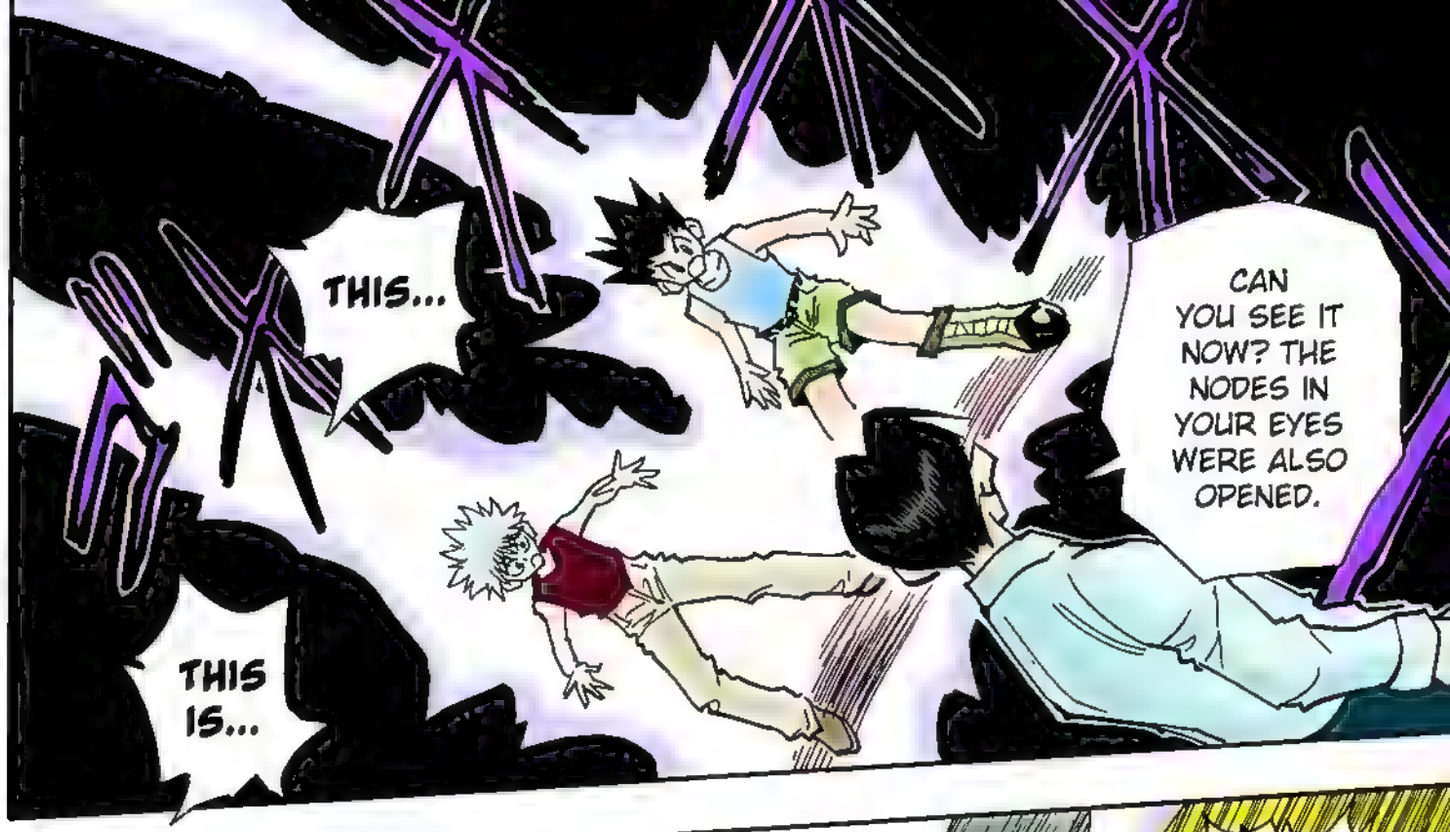

I CAN FEEL THE PRESSURE, EVEN THOUGH MR. WING ISN'T TOUCHING ME.
IT'S SO HOT ...!!


I'LL BEGIN.

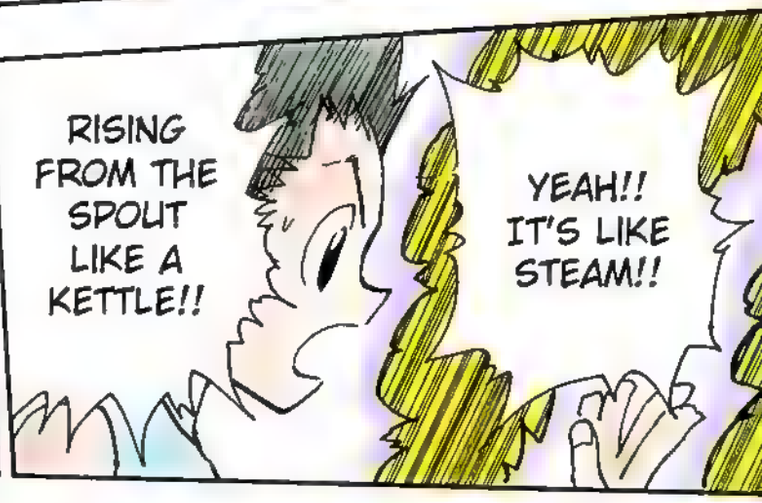




HUH ?!
WOAH!
THAT IS YOUR AURA, OR LIFE ENERGY.
OH!
WHAT IS THIS?!
EVERY AURA NODE IN YOUR BODY HAS OPENED.


THIS...
THIS IS...
CAN YOU SEE IT NOW? THE NODES IN YOUR EYES WERE ALSO OPENED.

ISN'T THIS BAD?!
IT'S RUSHING OUT FROM EVERY PART OF MY BODY, IT WON'T STOP!!


RISING FROM THE SPOUT LIKE A KETTLE!!
YEAH!! IT'S LIKE STEAM!!

I KNEW IT!
IF YOU EXPEND ALL YOUR AURA, YOU WILL COLLAPSE FROM FATIGUE.
IT'S YOUR LIFE ENERGY, SO IT'LL CONTINUE TO ESCAPE. YOU WILL GROW TIRED.

CLOSE YOUR EYES! USE ANY STANCE THAT HELPS YOU TO FOCUS!!
ARE YOU READY? LISTEN UP. YOU MUST FOCUS ON CONTAINING YOUR AURA WITHIN YOUR BODY.
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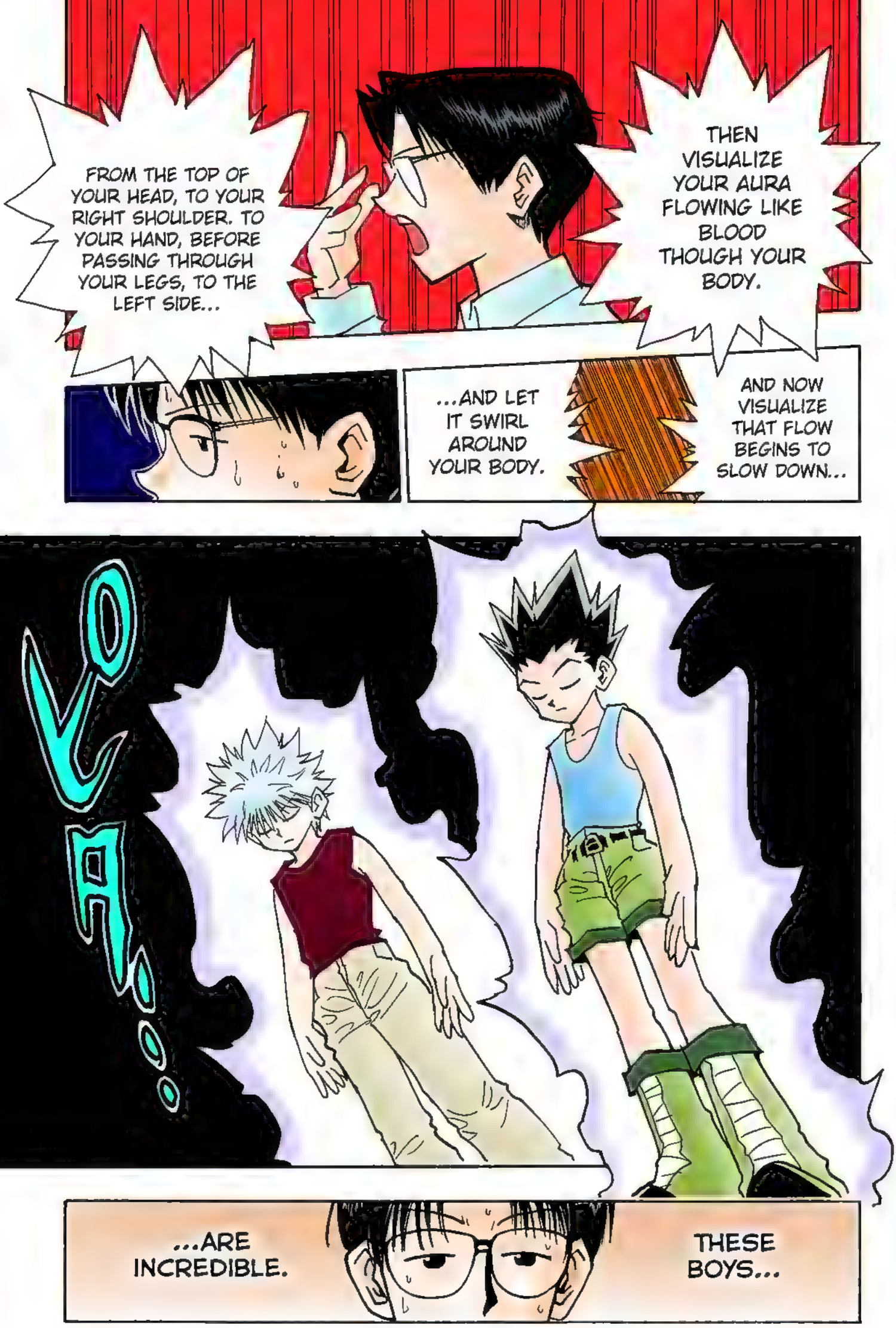
FROM THE TOP OF YOUR HEAD, TO YOUR RIGHT SHOULDER. TO YOUR HAND, BEFORE PASSING THROUGH YOUR LEGS, TO THE LEFT SIDE...
THEN VISUALIZE YOUR AURA FLOWING LIKE BLOOD THOUGH YOUR BODY.
...AND LET IT SWIRL AROUND YOUR BODY.
AND NOW VISUALIZE THAT FLOW BEGINS TO SLOW DOWN...
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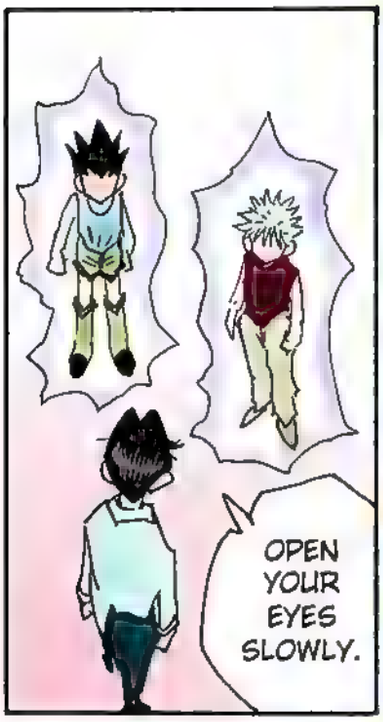
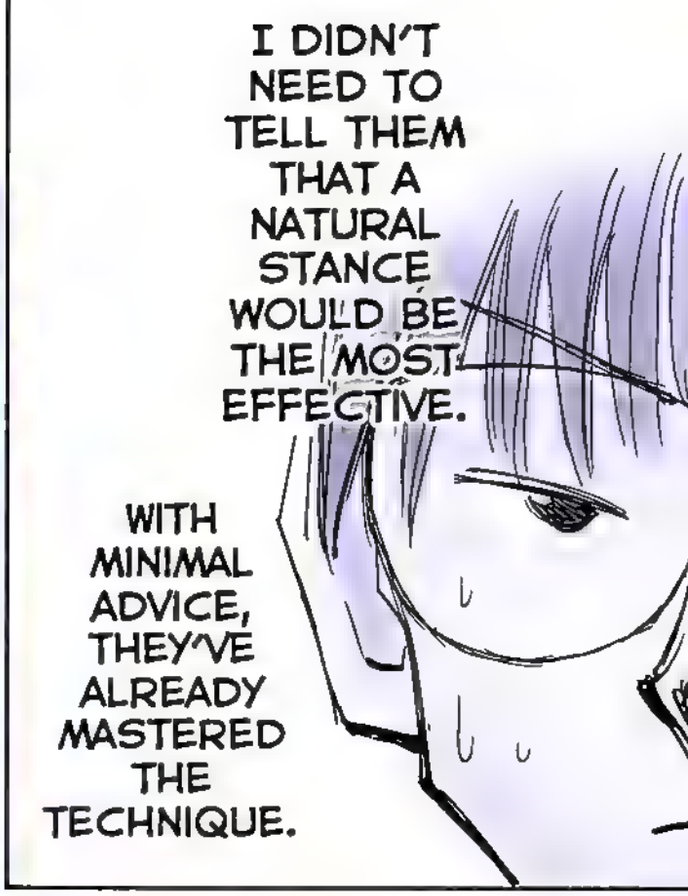
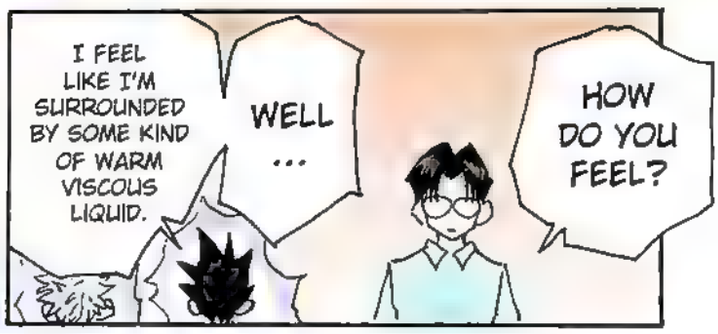
...ARE INCREDIBLE.
THESE BOYS...

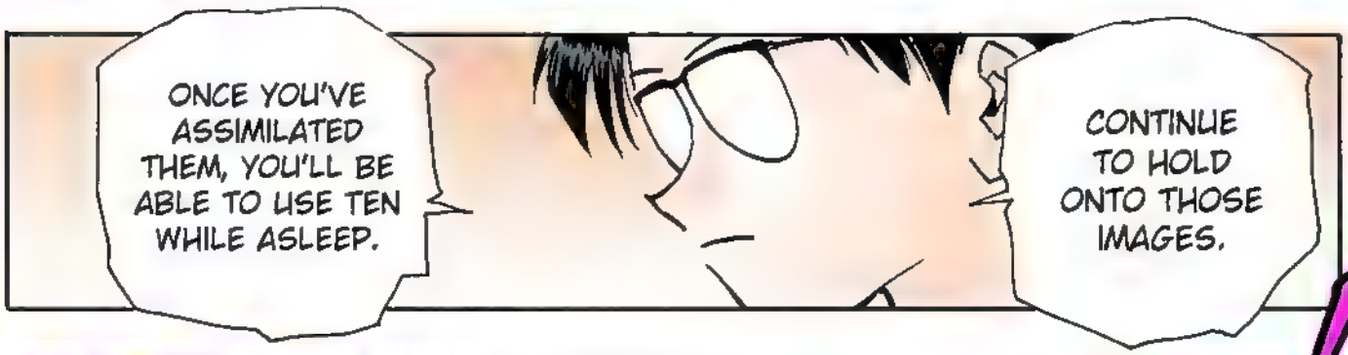

OPEN YOUR EYES SLOWLY.

MAGNIFICENT ...
...YET TERRIFYING ...!


I DIDN'T NEED TO TELL THEM THAT A NATURAL STANCE WOULD BE THE MOST EFFECTIVE.
WITH MINIMAL ADVICE, THEY'VE ALalready MASTERED THE TECHNIQUE.

YEAH... LIKE I'M WEARING WEIGHTLESS CLOTHES.


I FEEL LIKE I'M SURROUNDED BY SOME KIND OF WARM VISCOUS LIQUID.
WELL ...
HOW DO YOU FEEL?


ONCE YOU'VE ASSIMILATED THEM, YOU'LL BE ABLE TO USE TEN WHILE ASLEEP.
CONTINUE TO HOLD ONTO THOSE IMAGES.

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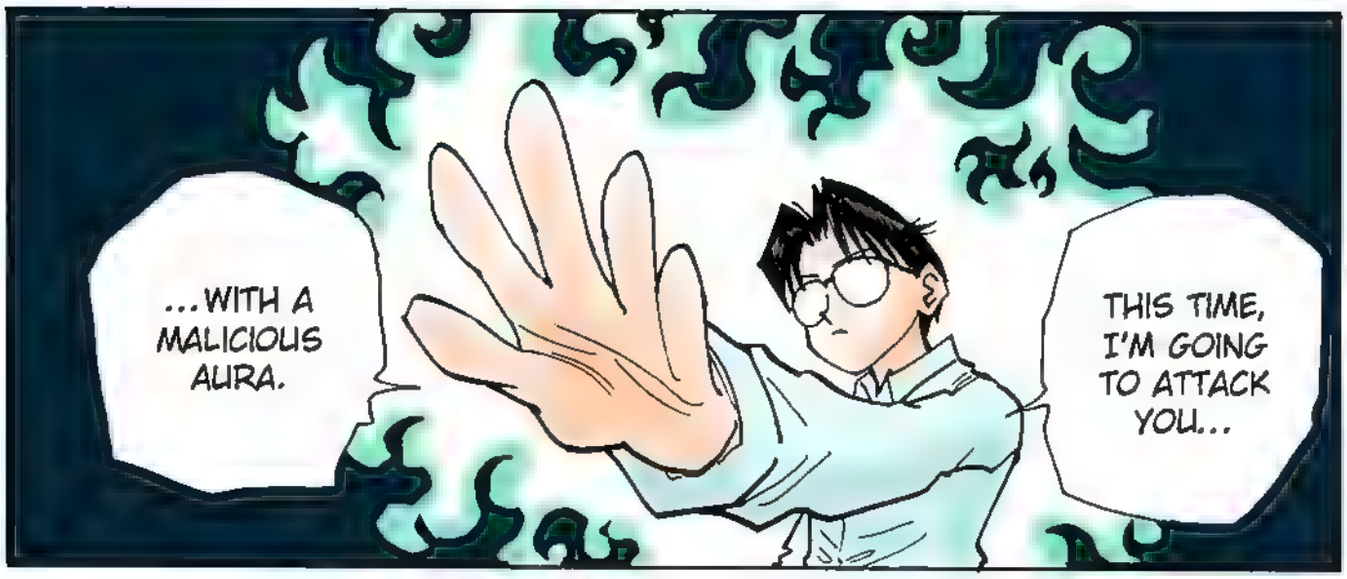
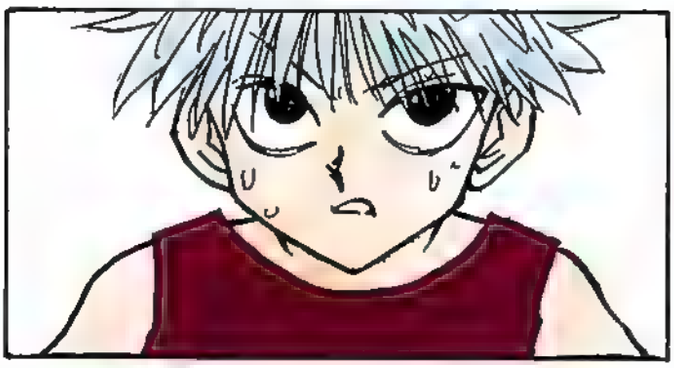
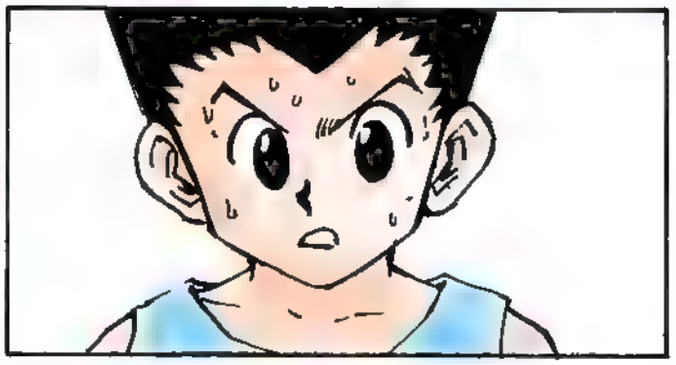

...WITH A MALICIOUS AURA.
THIS TIME, I'M GOING TO ATTACK YOU...

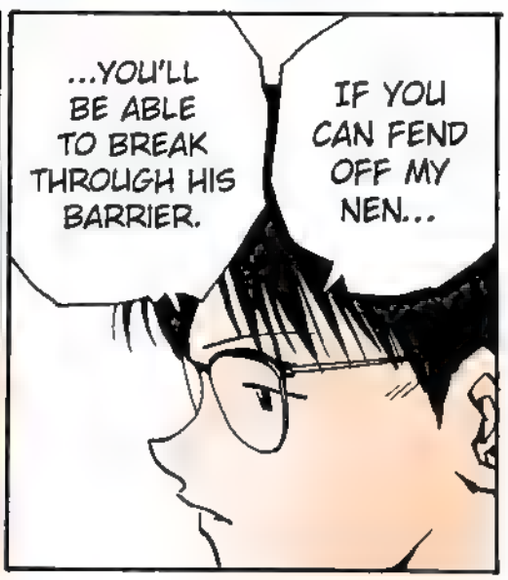
YEAH ...
I UNDERSTAND YOUR "NAKED IN A BLIZZARD" ANALOGY NOW.

...IT WOULD HAVE BEEN PAINFUL FOR YOU TO STAND WITHIN IT.
UNTIL EARLIER ...





HERE WE GO!


...YOU'LL BE ABLE TO BREAK THROUGH HIS BARRIER.
IF YOU CAN FEND OFF MY NEN...

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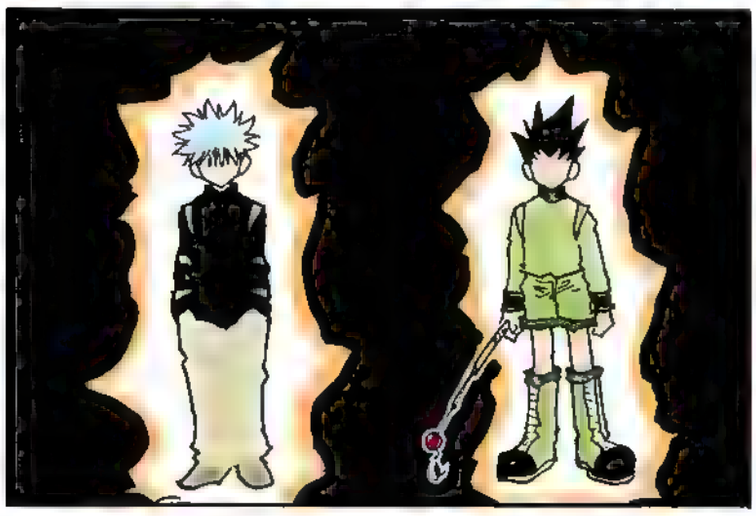

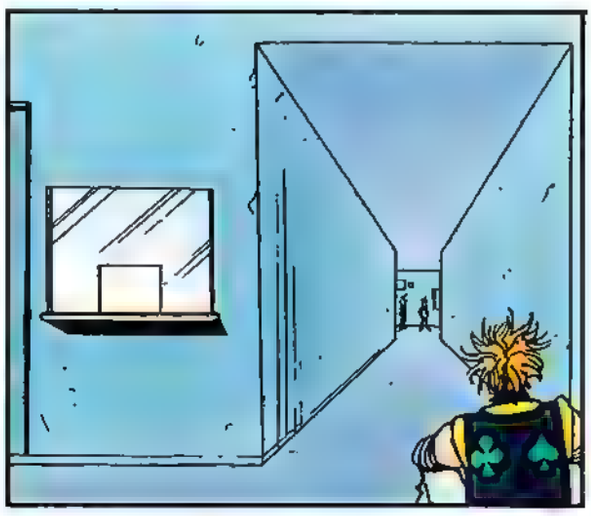

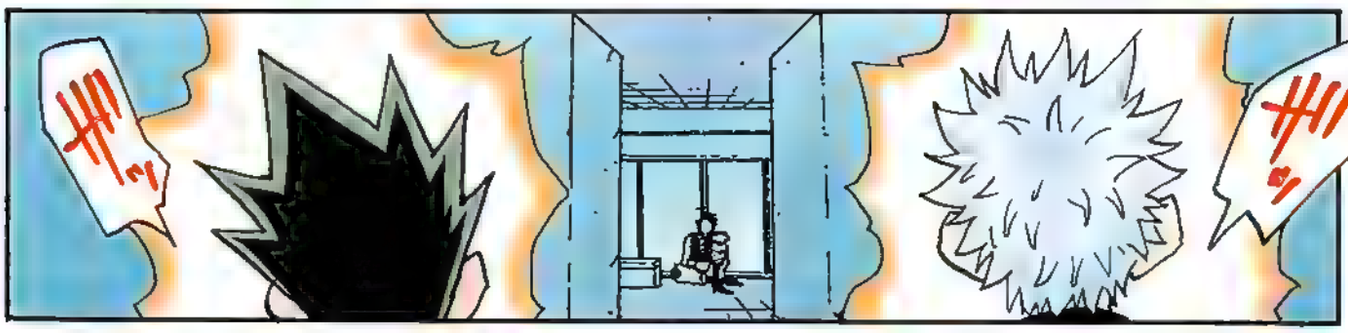

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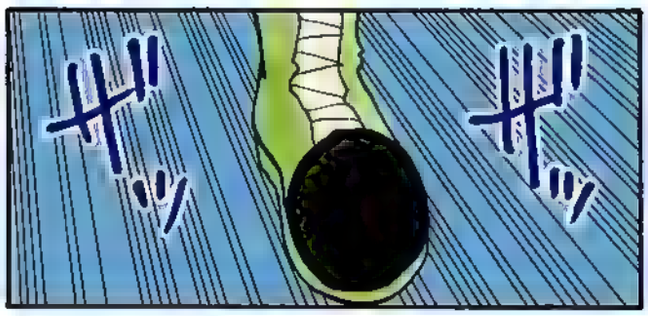
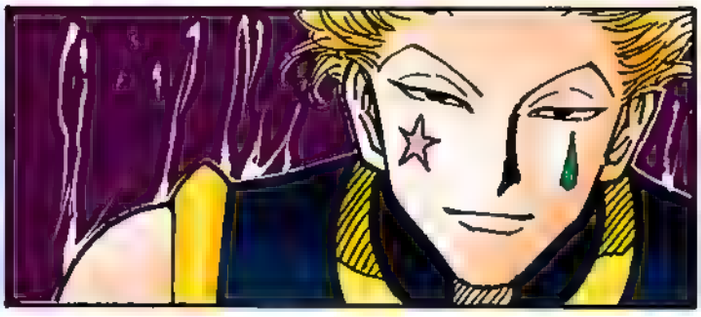
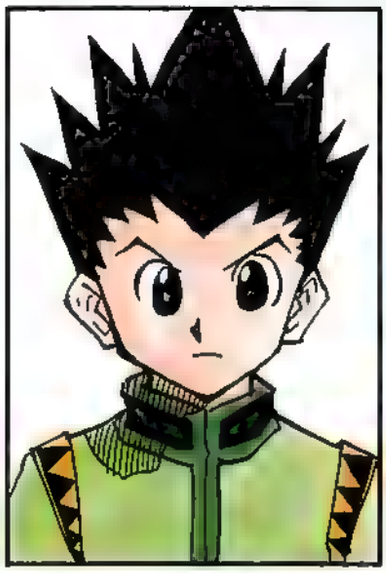
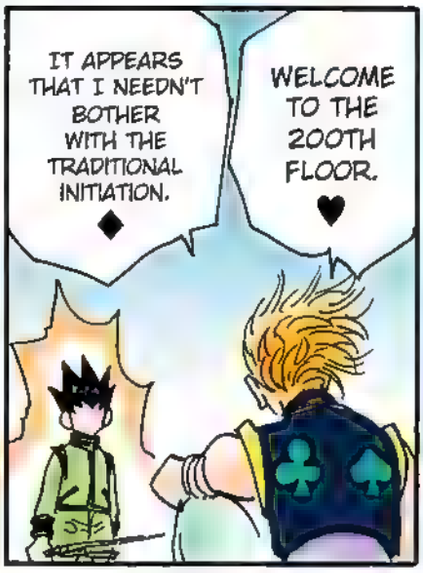
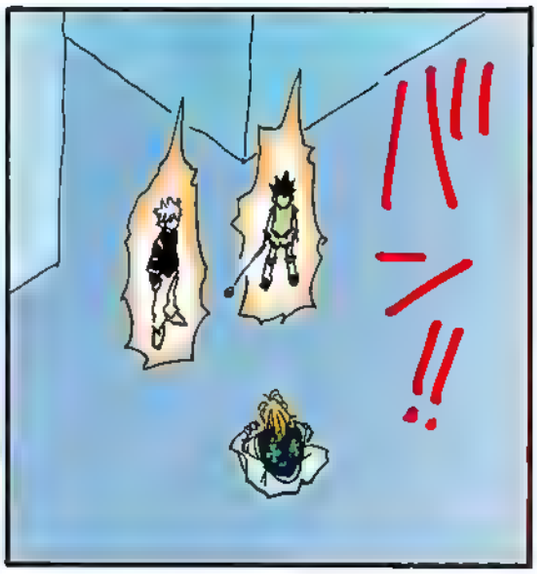







IT APPEARS THAT I NEEDN'T BOTHER WITH THE TRADITIONAL INITIATION. ◆
WELCOME TO THE 200TH FLOOR. ♥



HEH HEH. ♥
THIS SAVES ME THE TROUBLE.
YEAH, BUT I DIDN'T EXPECT TO FIND YOU HERE.

YOU INTENDED TO TRAIN BEFORE CHALLENGING ME, RIGHT?
I CAN GUESS WHY YOU'VE COME TO THE HEAVENS ARENA. ♣

DON'T GET TOO COCKY JUST BECAUSE YOU LEARNED TEN. ♠

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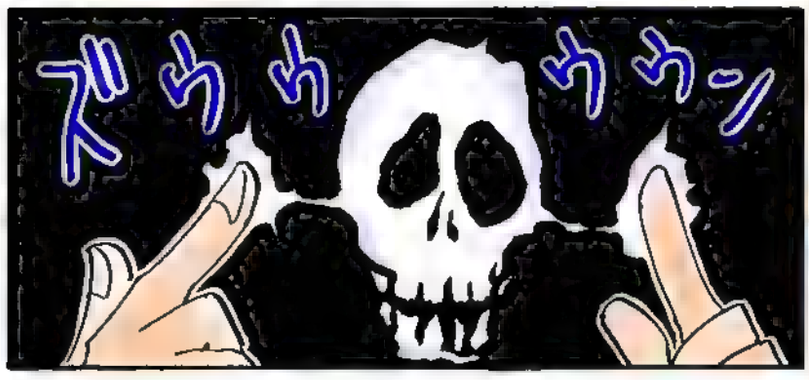
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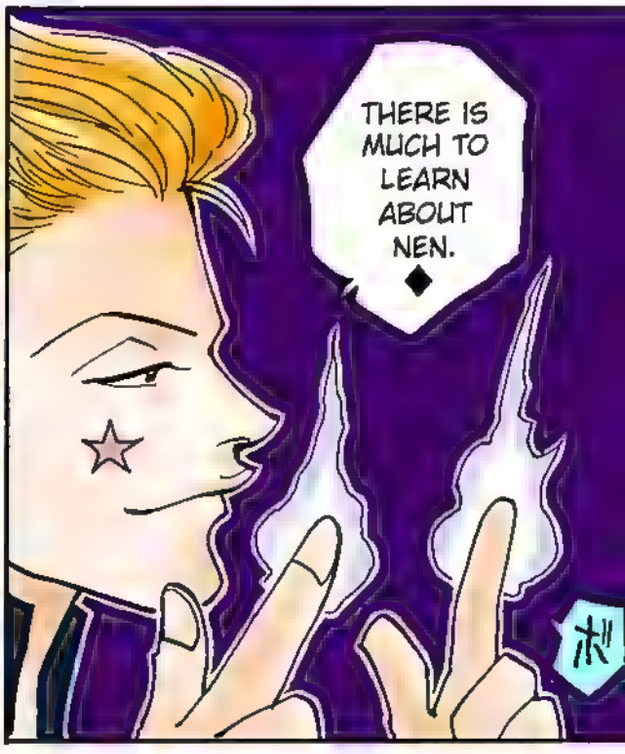
THERE IS MUCH TO LEARN ABOUT NEN. ◆
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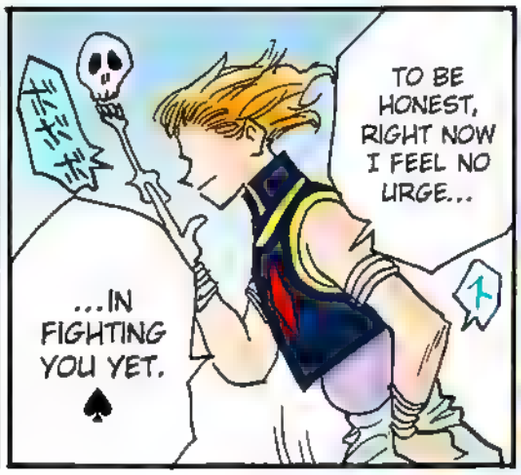
HOW-EVER ...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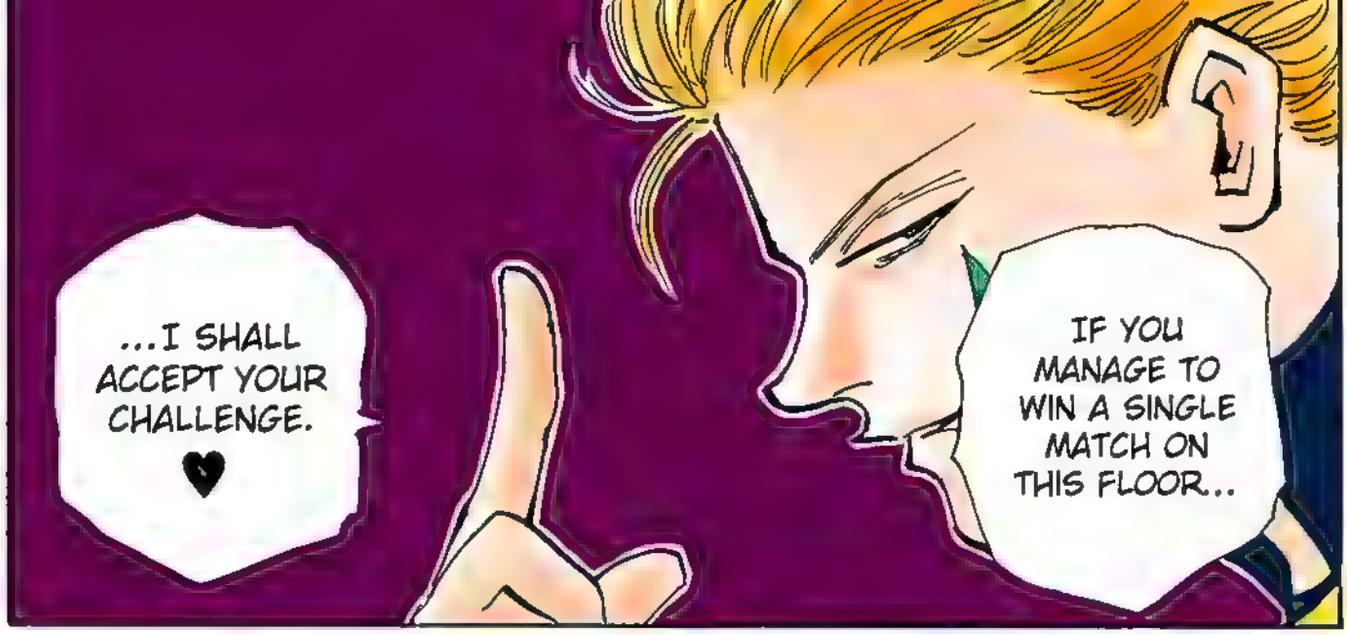
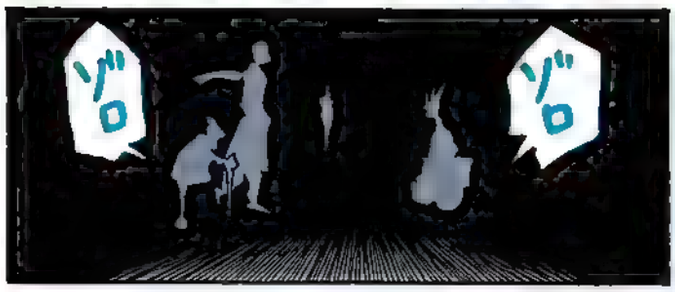
TO BE HONEST, RIGHT NOW I FEEL NO URGE...
...IN FIGHTING YOU YET. ♠


...I SHALL ACCEPT YOUR CHALLENGE.
IF YOU MANAGE TO WIN A SINGLE MATCH ON THIS FLOOR..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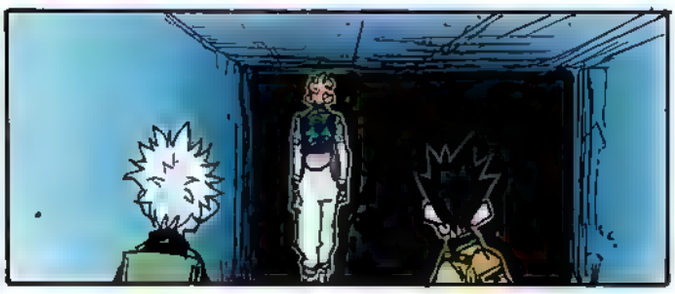

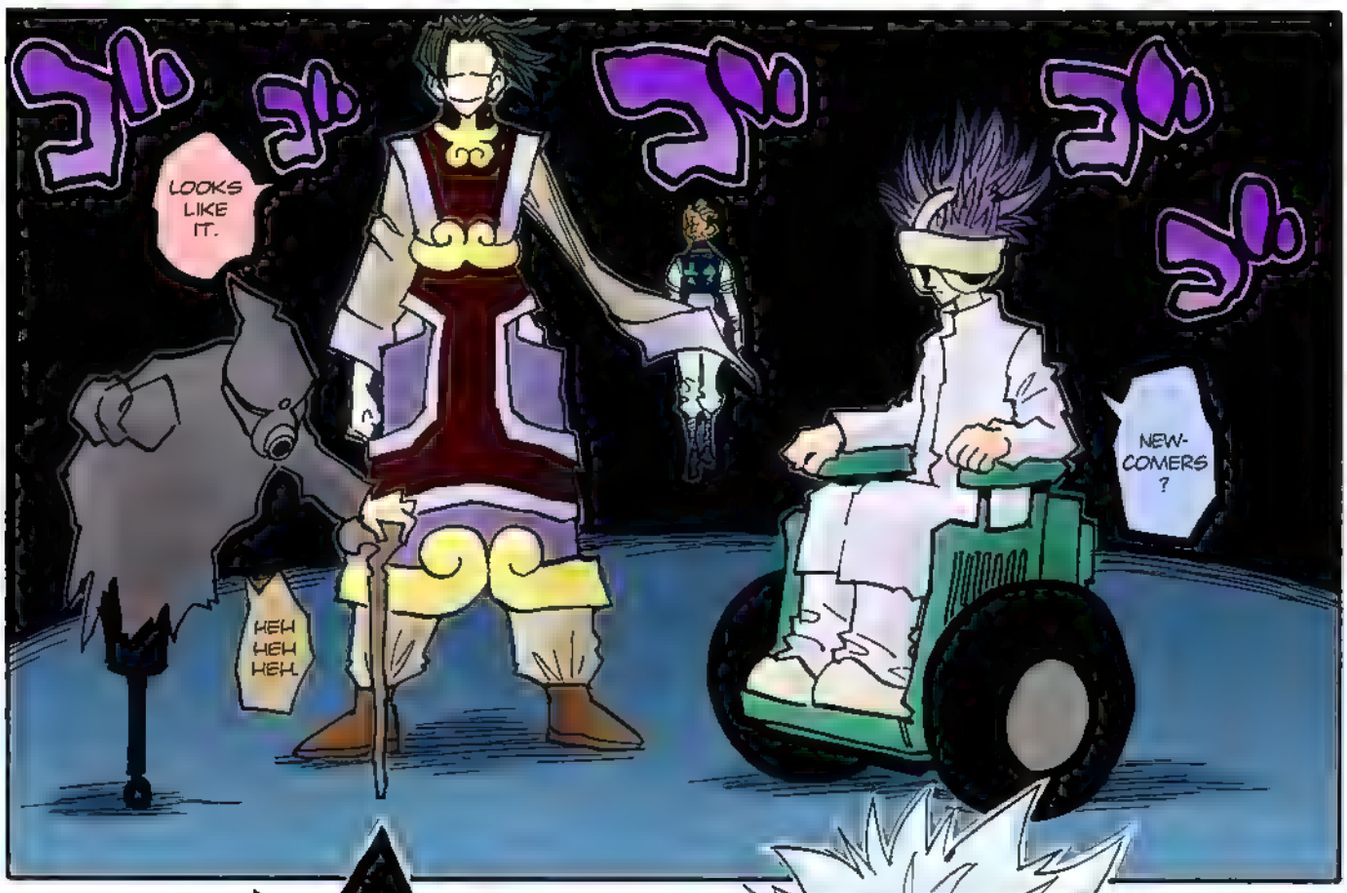
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LOOKS LIKE IT.
HEH HEH HEH.
NEW-COMERS ?

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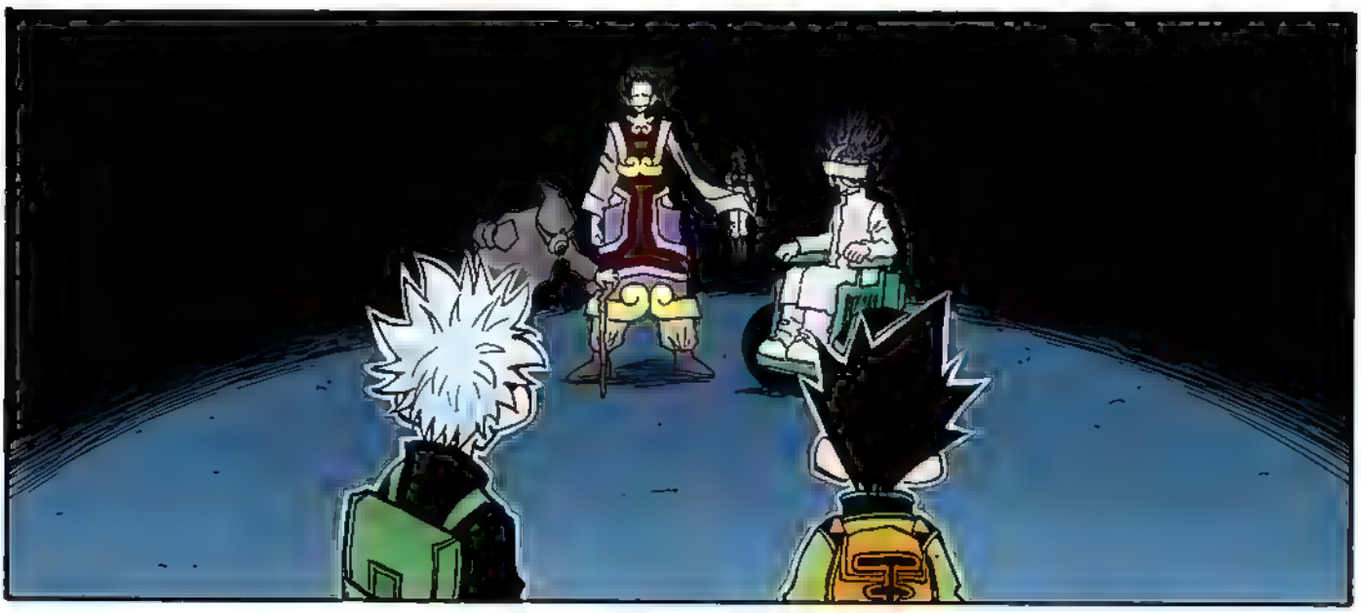

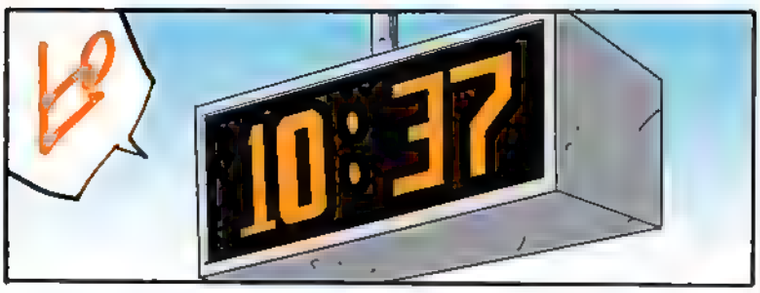

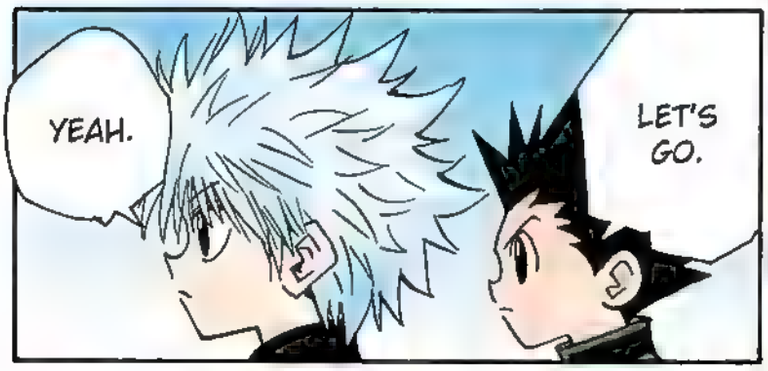

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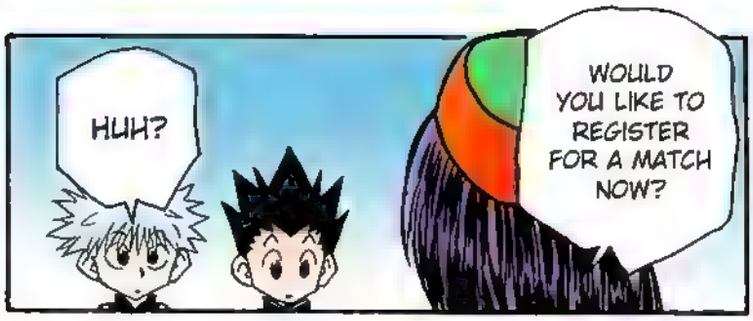
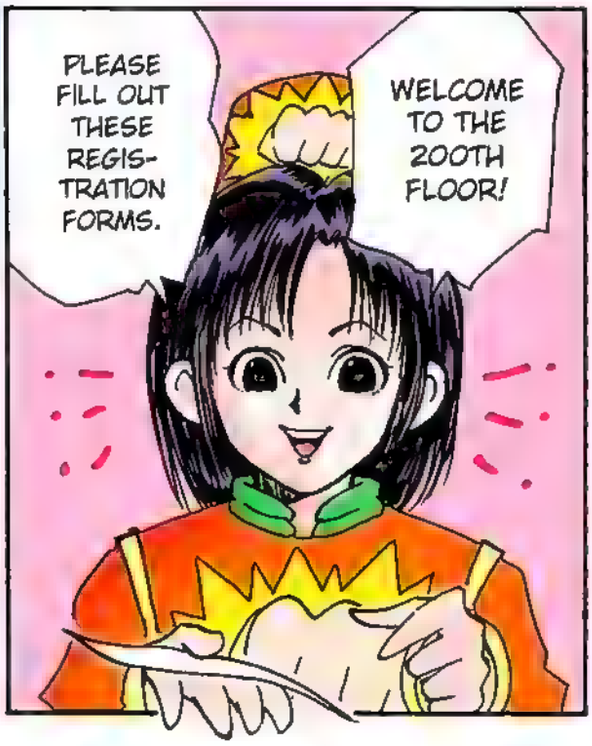
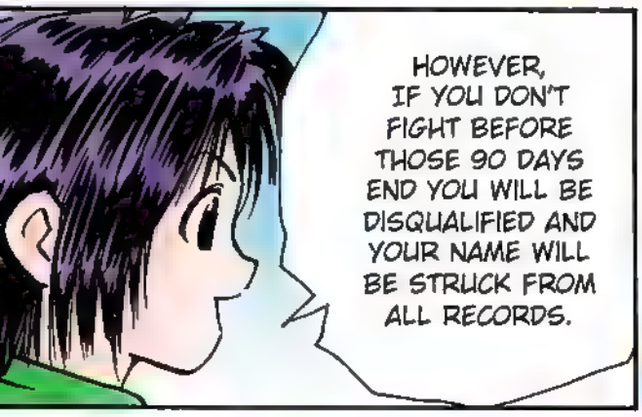
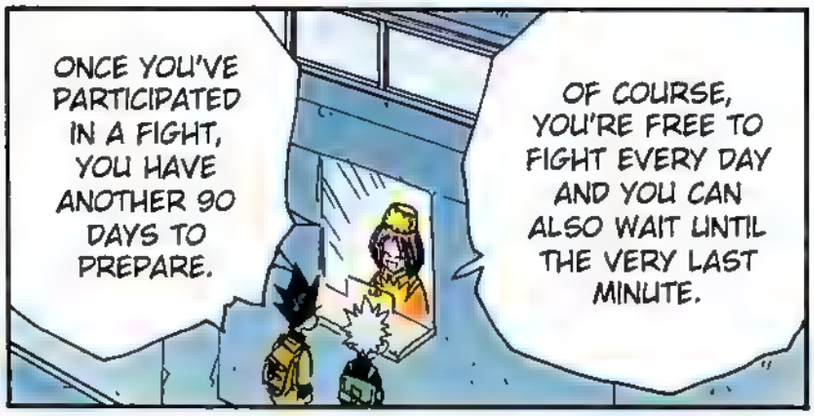
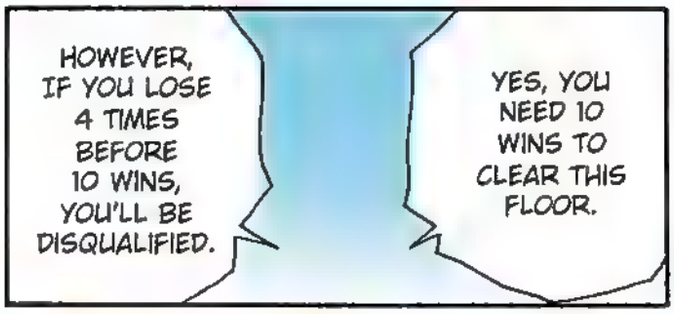

HUH?
WOULD YOU LIKE TO REGISTER FOR A MATCH NOW?

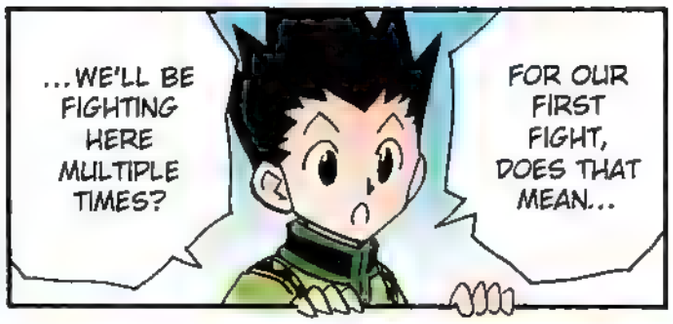

PLEASE FILL OUT THESE REGIS-TRATION FORMS.
WELCOME TO THE 200TH FLOOR!

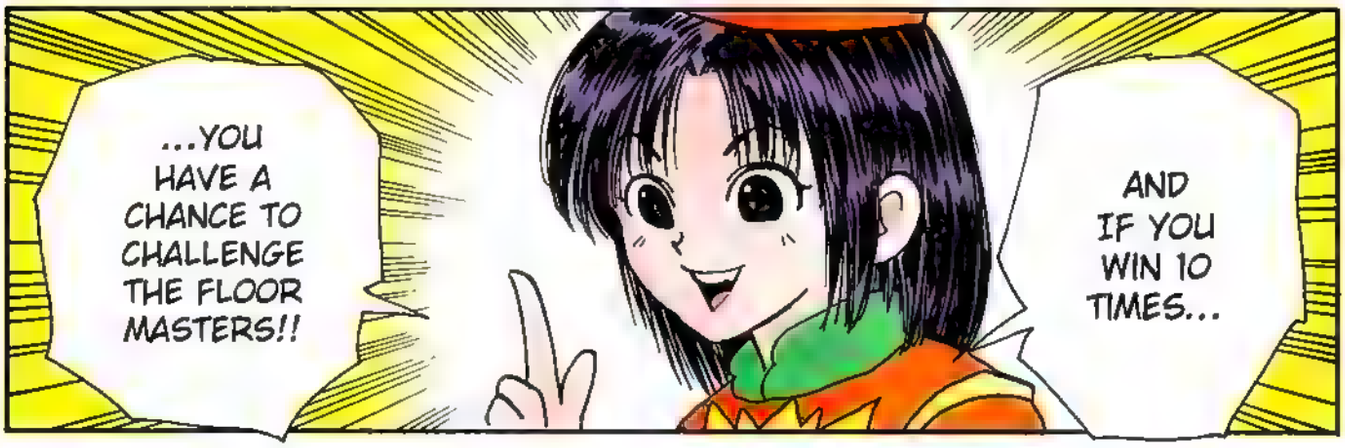
YOU MAY CHOOSE TO FIGHT ON ANY DAY DURING THAT TIME.
THIS LEVEL USES A SELF-SERVICE SYSTEM BY WHICH YOU'RE PERMITTED 90 DAYS OF PREPARATION.


HOWEVER, IF YOU DON'T FIGHT BEFORE THOSE 90 DAYS END YOU WILL BE DISQUALIFIED AND YOUR NAME WILL BE STRUCK FROM ALL RECORDS.


ONCE YOU'VE PARTICIPATED IN A FIGHT, YOU HAVE ANOTHER 90 DAYS TO PREPARE.
OF COURSE, YOU'RE FREE TO FIGHT EVERY DAY AND YOU CAN ALSO WAIT UNTIL THE VERY LAST MINUTE.


HOWEVER, IF YOU LOSE 4 TIMES BEFORE 10 WINS, YOU'LL BE DISQUALIFIED.
YES, YOU NEED 10 WINS TO CLEAR THIS FLOOR.


...WE'LL BE FIGHTING HERE MULTIPLE TIMES?
FOR OUR FIRST FIGHT, DOES THAT MEAN...


...YOU HAVE A CHANCE TO CHALLENGE THE FLOOR MASTERS!!
AND IF YOU WIN 10 TIMES...

DO YOU UNDERSTAND NOW? IF YOU DEFEAT A FLOOR MASTER, YOU BECOME THE NEW MASTER OF THAT FLOOR!!

THE FLOOR MASTERS ARE THE 21 STRONGEST FIGHTERS HERE!! EACH GETS ONE WHOLE FLOOR, FROM FLOOR 230 AND FLOOR 250!

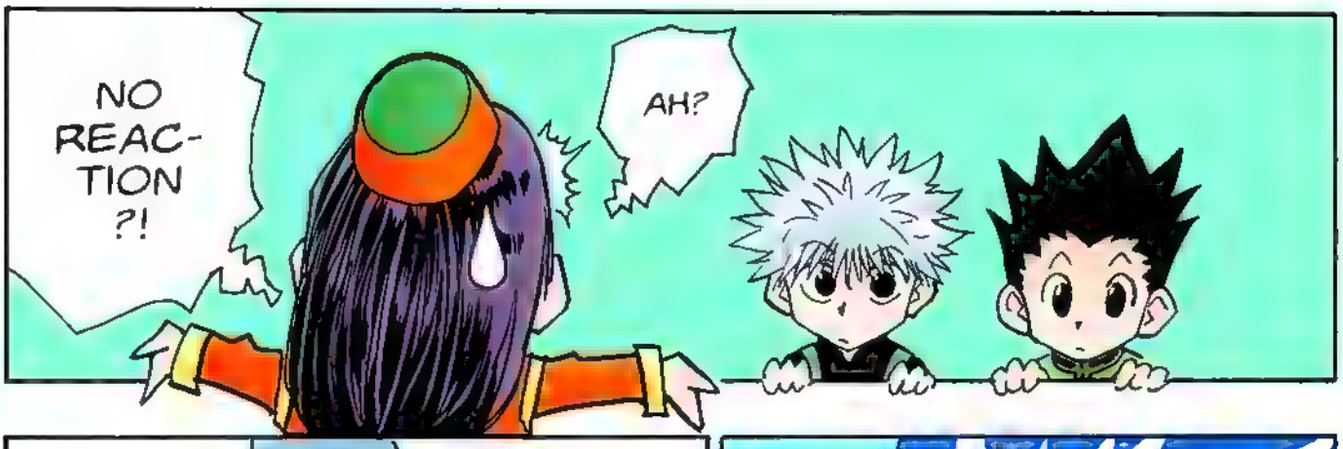
YOU EARN THE RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN A SPECIAL TOURNAMENT THAT TAKES PLACE EVERY 2 YEARS ON THE TOP FLOOR!!

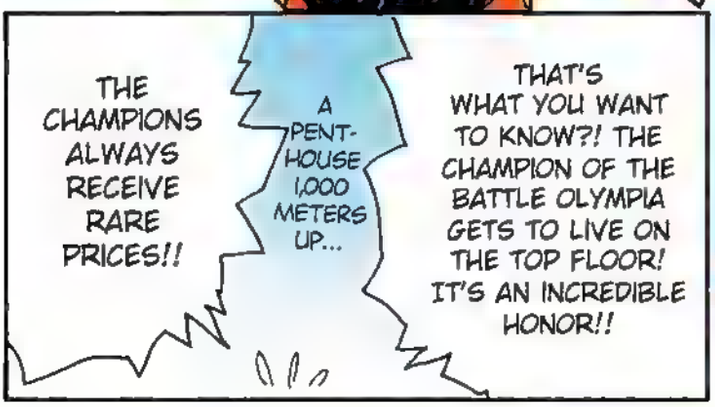
WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU BECOME A FLOOR MASTER ?!

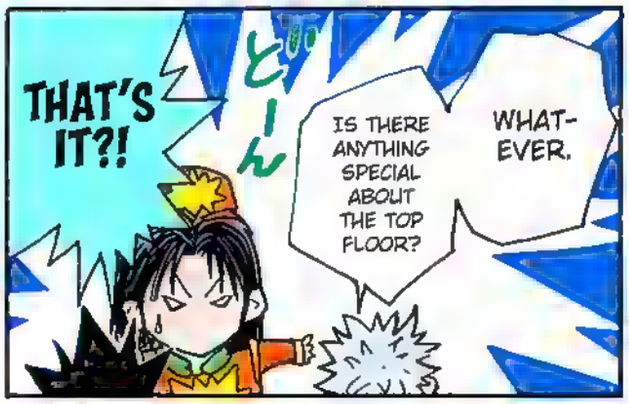
NOPE, THAT'S NOT ALL!

IS THAT IT?

THE BATTLE OLYMPIA, THE BIENNIAL FESTIVAL OF COMBAT!!


NO REAC-TION ?!
AH?


THE CHAMPIONS ALWAYS RECEIVE RARE PRICES!!
A PENT-HOUSE 1,000 METERS UP...
THAT'S WHAT YOU WANT TO KNOW?! THE CHAMPION OF THE BATTLE OLYMPIA GETS TO LIVE ON THE TOP FLOOR! IT'S AN INCREDIBLE HONOR!!


THAT'S IT?!
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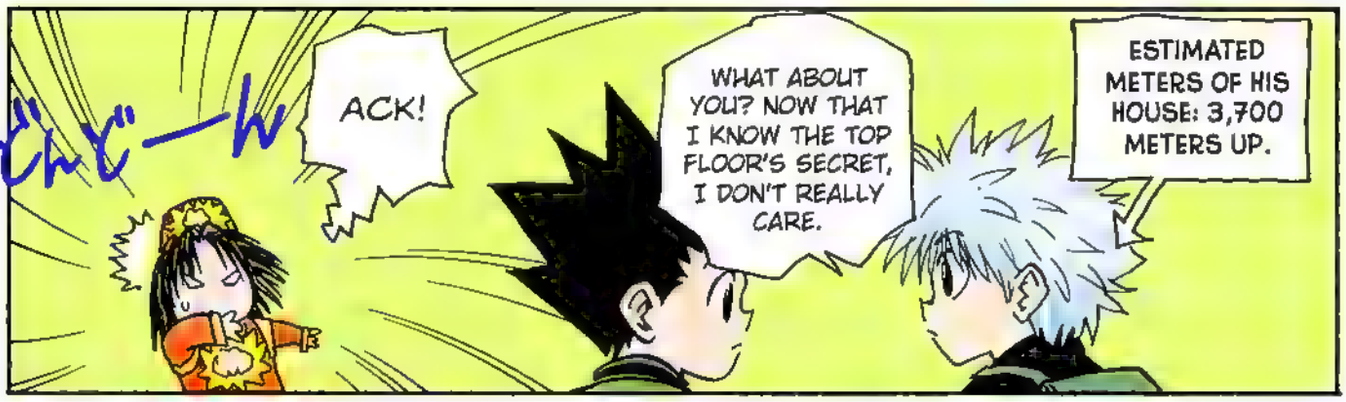
IS THERE ANYTHING SPECIAL ABOUT THE TOP FLOOR?
WHAT-EVER.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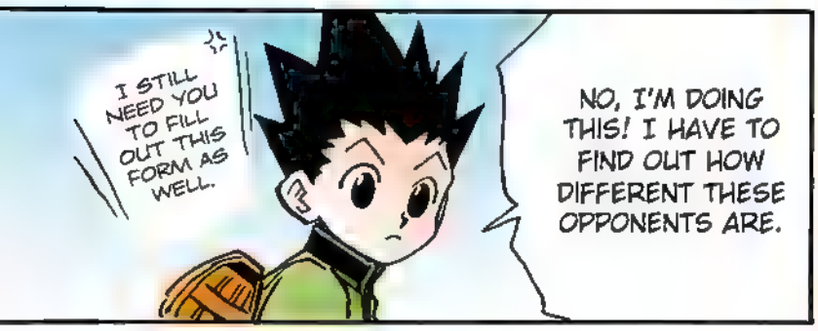
ACK!
WHAT ABOUT YOU? NOW THAT I KNOW THE TOP FLOOR'S SECRET, I DON'T REALLY CARE.
ESTIMATED METERS OF HIS HOUSE: 3,700 METERS UP.

BUT YOU'RE GONNA WAIT FOR A BIT FIRST, RIGHT?
WELL, THEN YOU'LL NEED TO WIN A FIGHT...


I STILL NEED YOU TO FILL OUT THIS FORM AS WELL.
NO, I'M DOING THIS! I HAVE TO FIND OUT HOW DIFFERENT THESE OPPONENTS ARE.

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WHAT?! WHY DID YOU GUYS EVEN COME HERE?!
YEAH, I JUST WANNA FIGHT WITH HISOKA.
FOR THE FIRST TIME.

DO YOU NEED SOME-THING?
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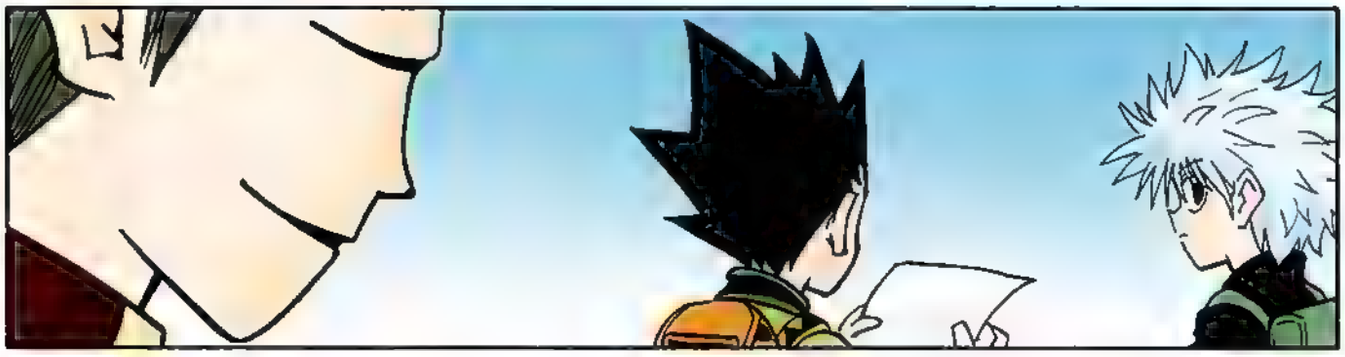
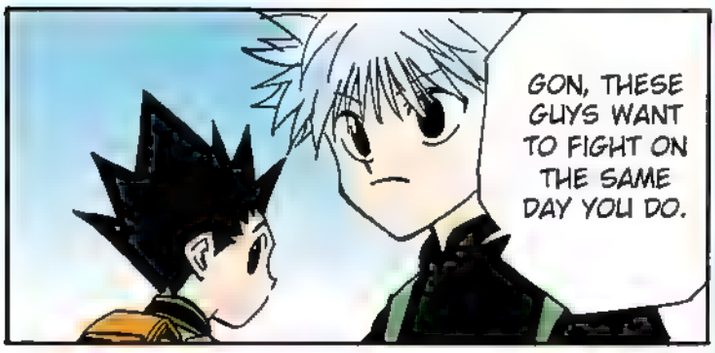
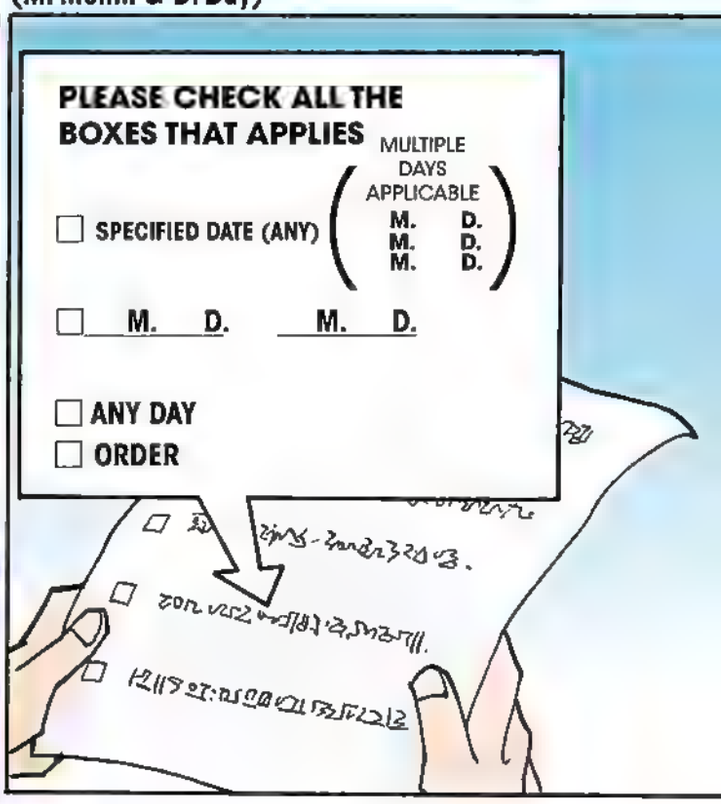
WE'RE SIMPLY IN LINE TO REGISTER FOR A FIGHT.
NO.




GON, THESE GUYS WANT TO FIGHT ON THE SAME DAY YOU DO.

(M: Month & D: Day)


PLEASE CHECK ALL THE BOXES THAT APPLIES
MULTIPLE DAYS APPLICABLE
SPECIFIED DATE (ANY)
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ANY DAY
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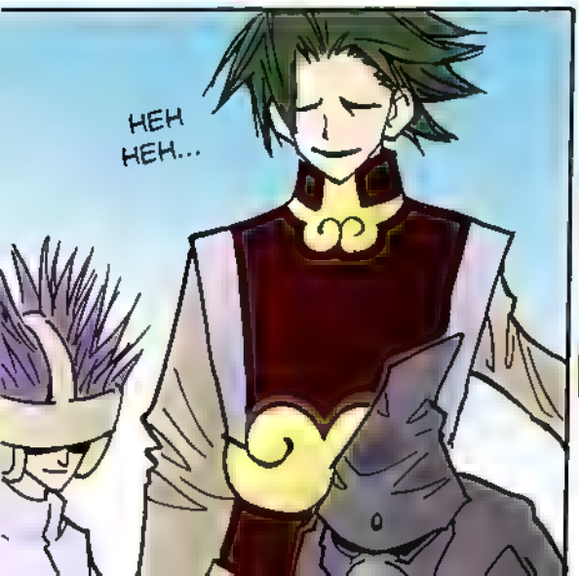
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I'M READY TO GO WHENEVER!
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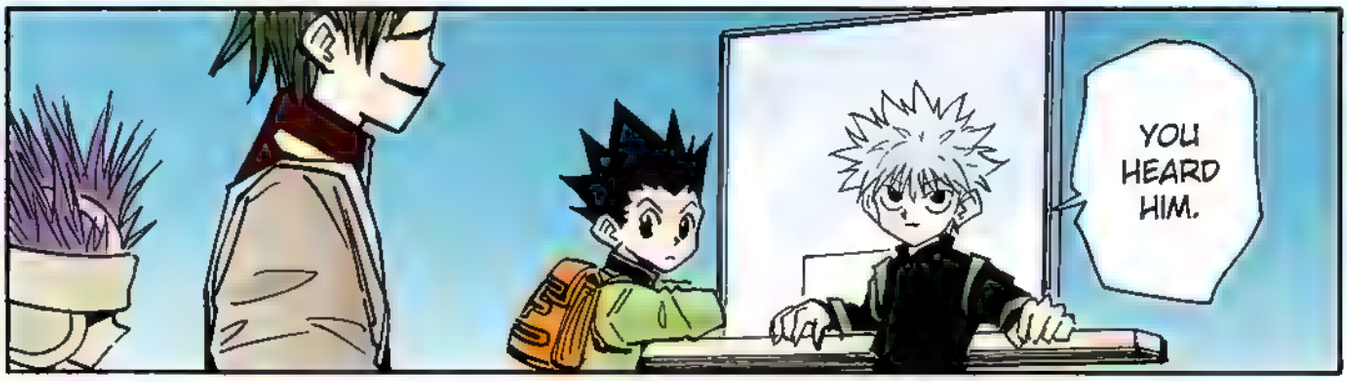
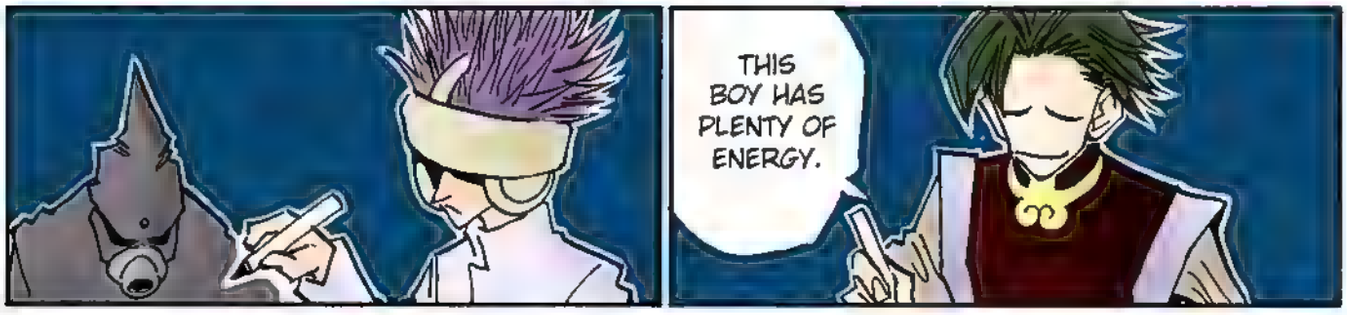
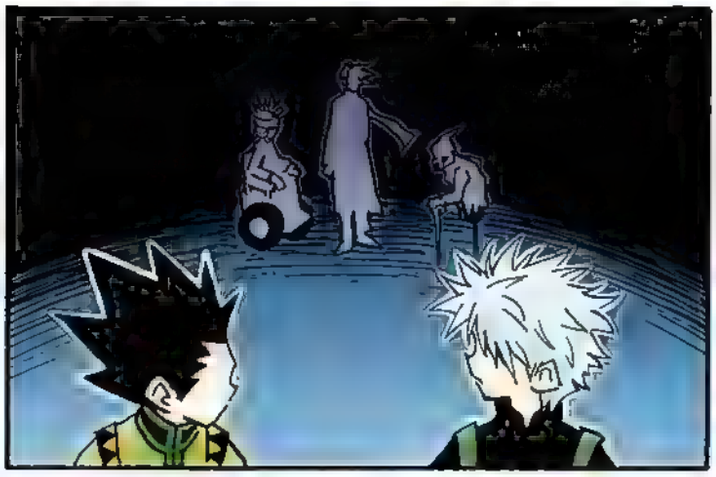
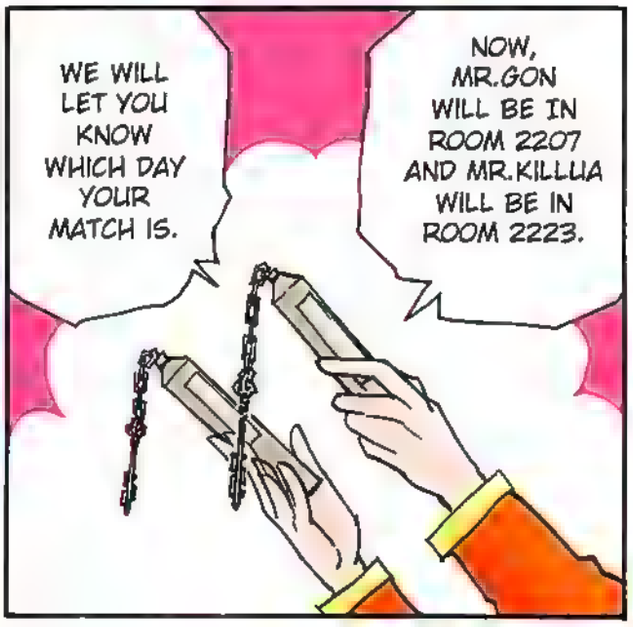

YOU HEARD HIM.


THIS BOY HAS PLENTY OF ENERGY.




WE WILL LET YOU KNOW WHICH DAY YOUR MATCH IS.
NOW, MR.GON WILL BE IN ROOM 2207 AND MR.KILLUA WILL BE IN ROOM 2223.

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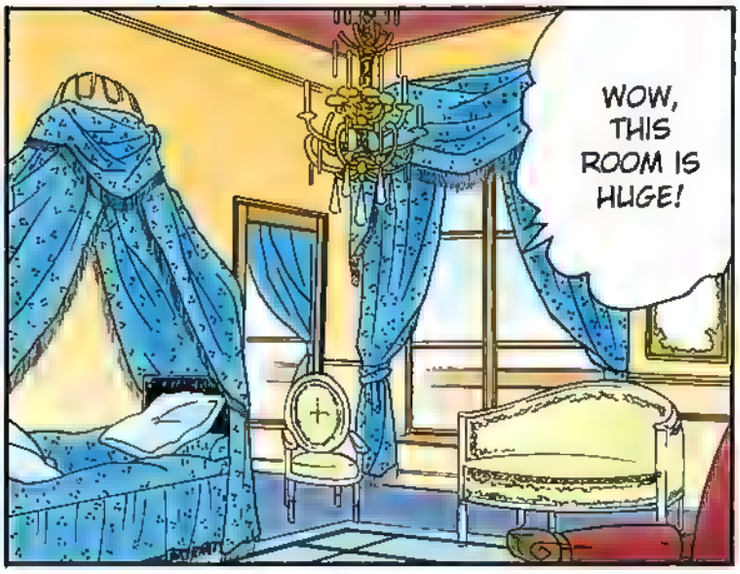
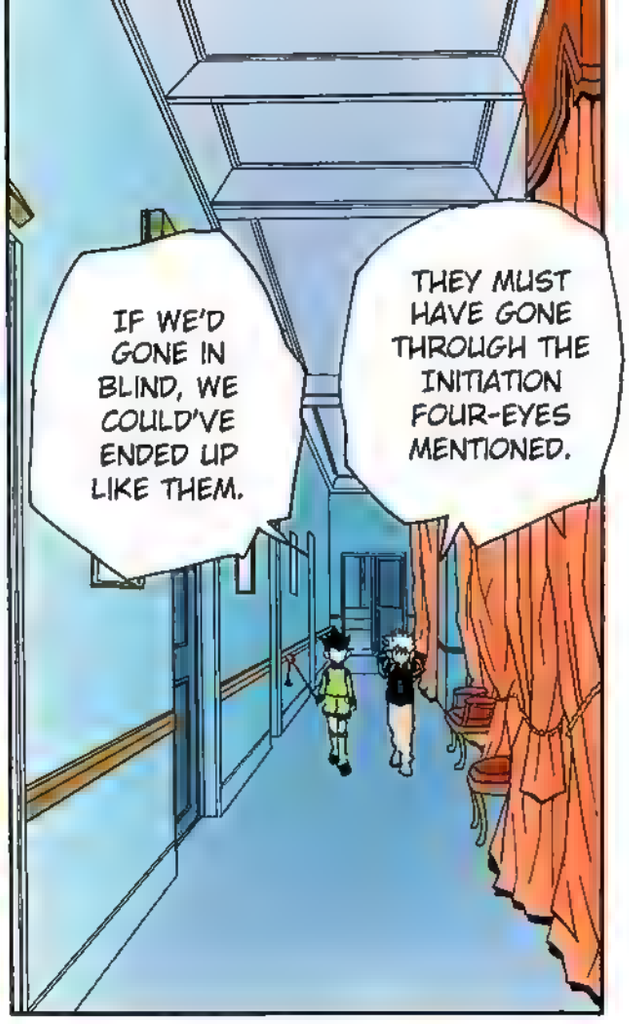
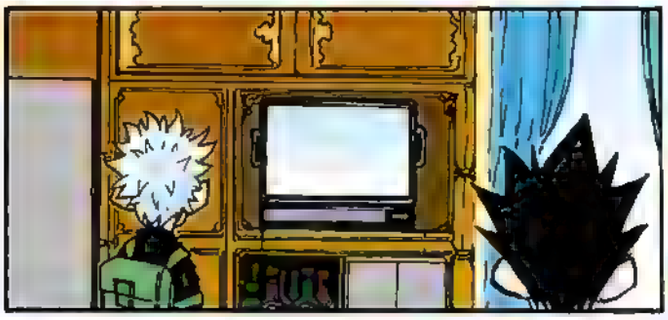
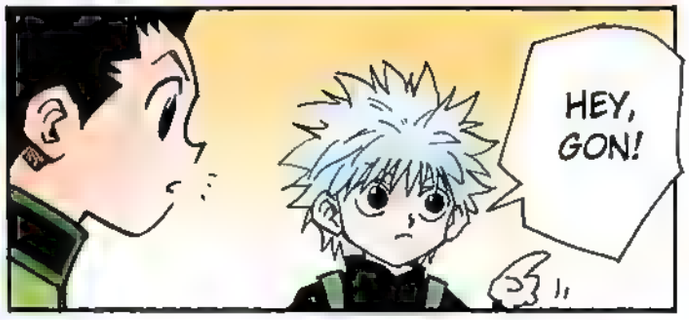
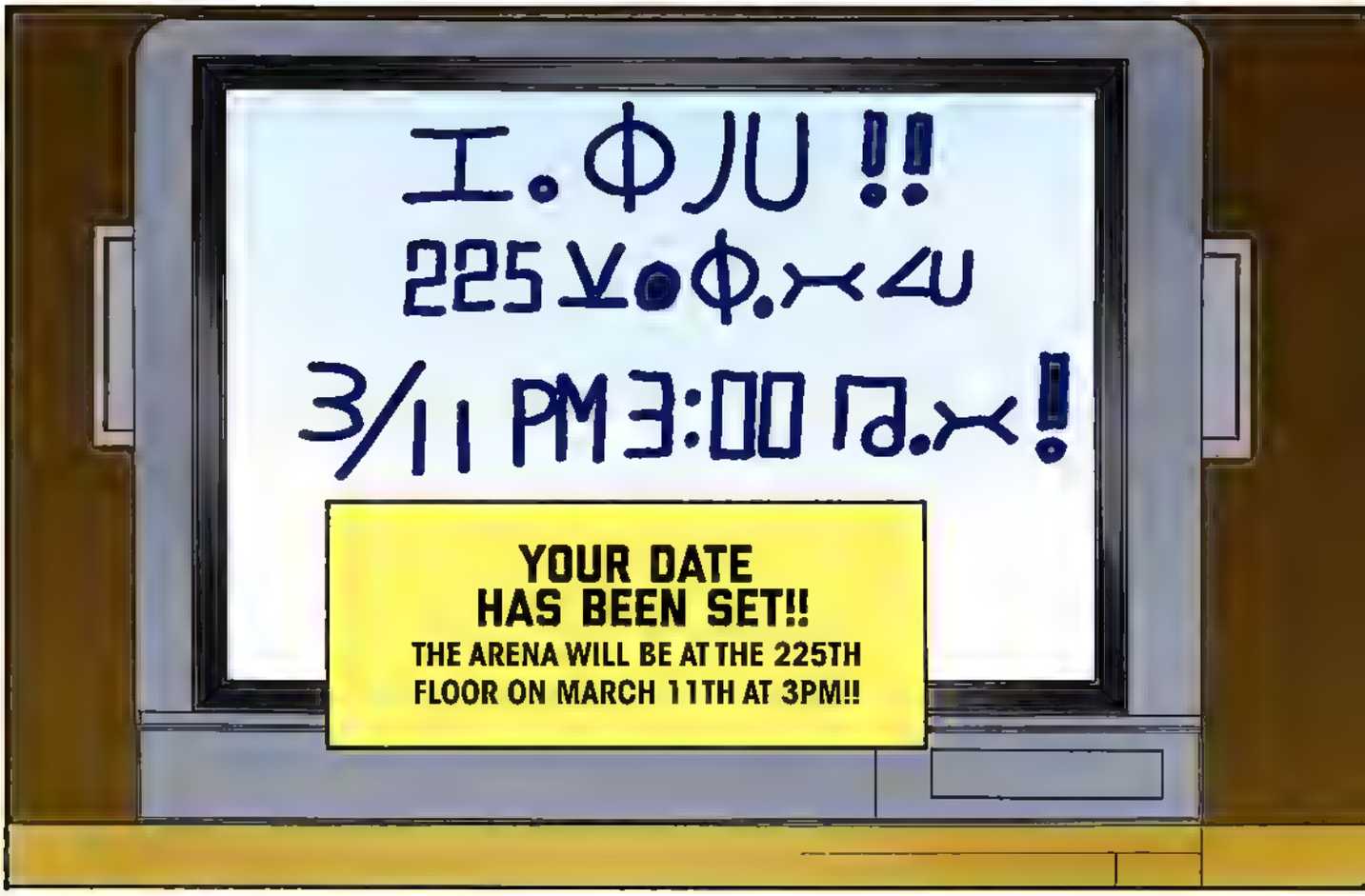
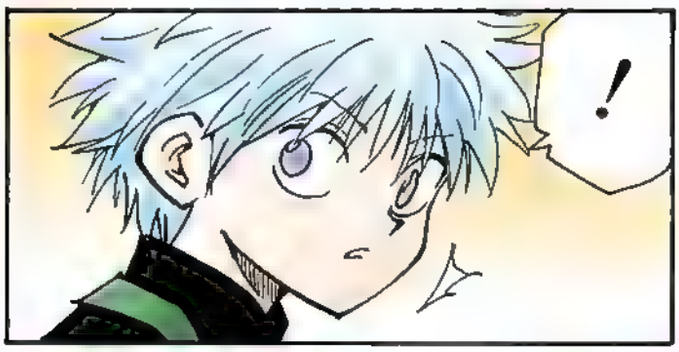

WOW, THIS ROOM IS HUGE!


IF WE'D GONE IN BLIND, WE COULD'VE ENDED UP LIKE THEM.
THEY MUST HAVE GONE THROUGH THE INITIATION FOUR-EYES MENTIONED.




HEY, GON!


YOUR DATE HAS BEEN SET!!
THE ARENA WILL BE AT THE 225TH FLOOR ON MARCH 11TH AT 3PM!!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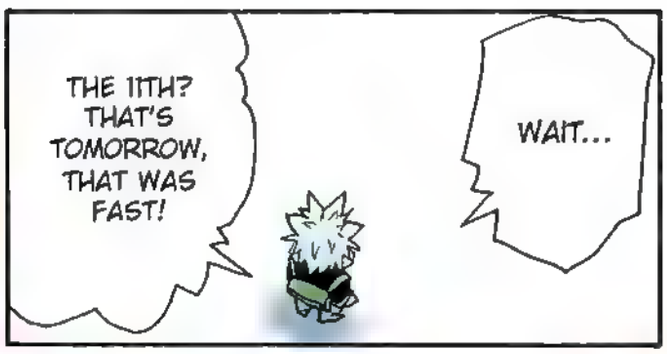
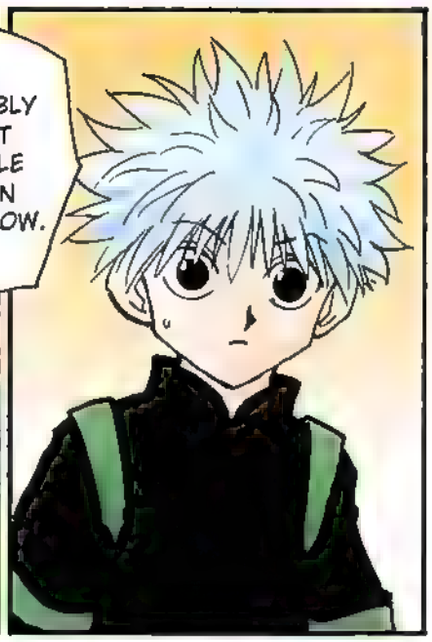
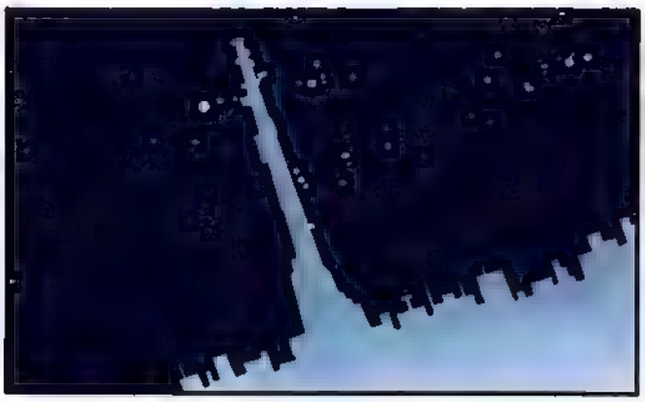
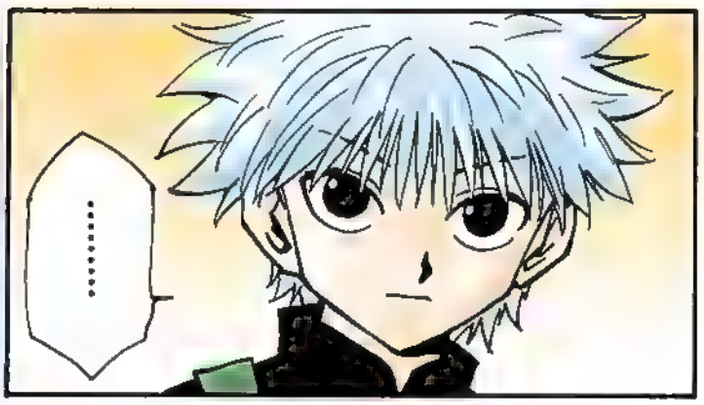

THE 11TH? THAT'S TOMORROW, THAT WAS FAST!
WAIT...

I NEED TO DISCOVER MORE OF THIS POWER.
I WANNA KNOW WHAT I CAN DO WITH IT.

I PROBABLY WON'T BE ABLE TO WIN TOMORROW.
BUT THAT'S OKAY.



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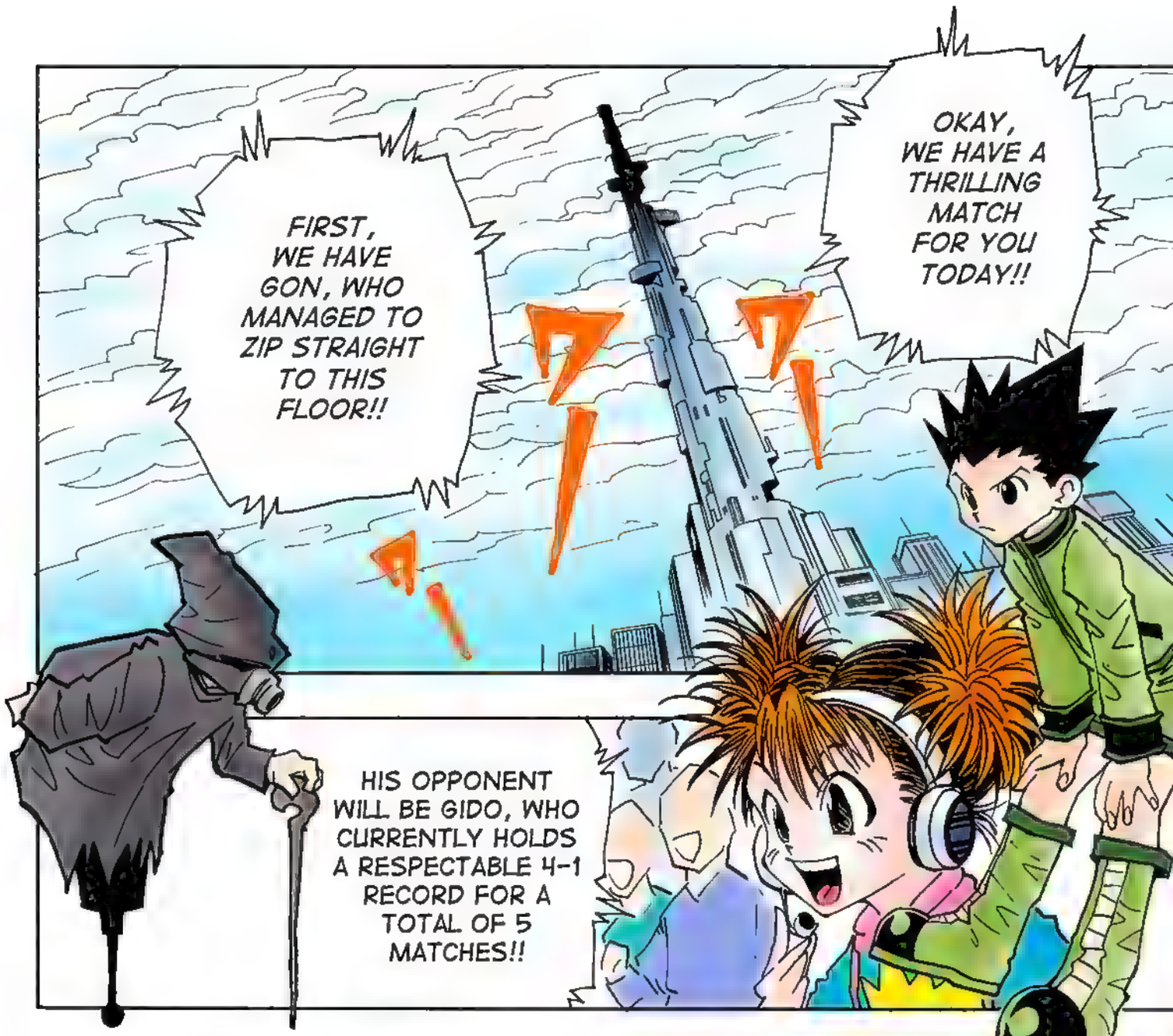
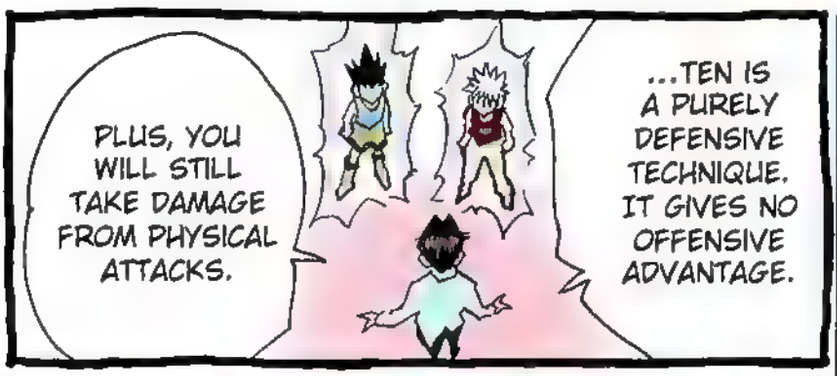
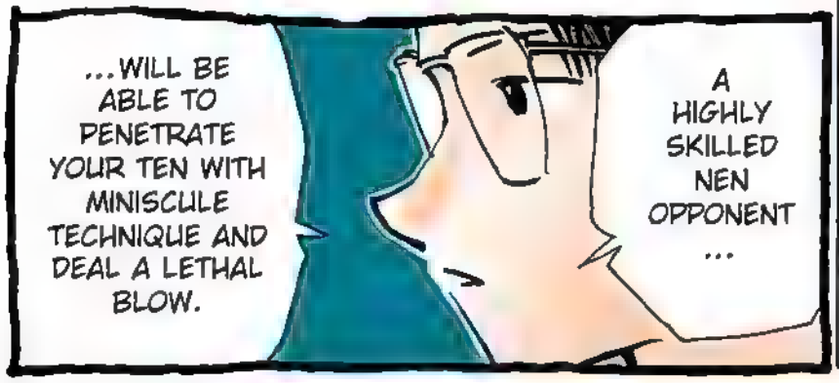
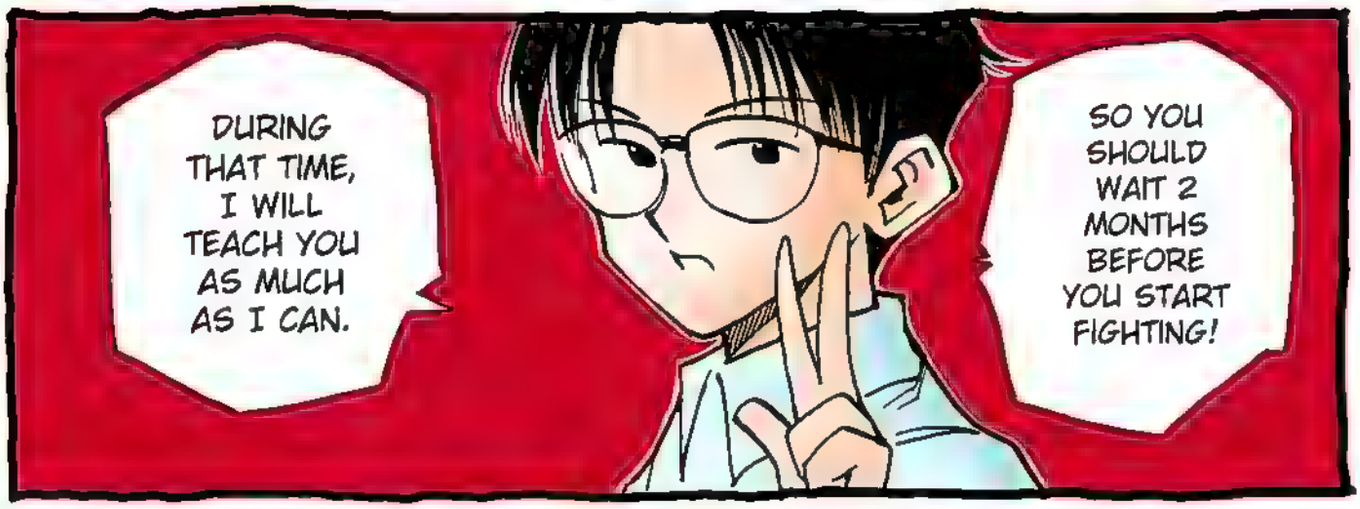
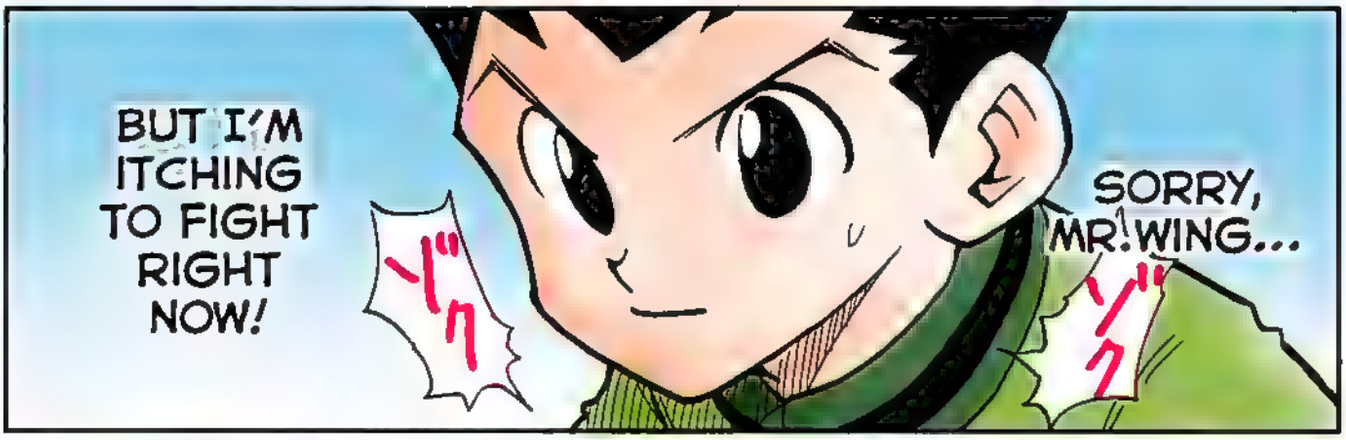

FIRST, WE HAVE GON, WHO MANAGED TO ZIP STRAIGHT TO THIS FLOOR!!
OKAY, WE HAVE A THRILLING MATCH FOR YOU TODAY!!
HIS OPPONENT WILL BE GIDO, WHO CURRENTLY HOLDS A RESPECTABLE 4-1 RECORD FOR A TOTAL OF 5 MATCHES!!


PLUS, YOU WILL STILL TAKE DAMAGE FROM PHYSICAL ATTACKS.
...TEN IS A PURELY DEFENSIVE TECHNIQUE. IT GIVES NO OFFENSIVE ADVANTAGE.


...WILL BE ABLE TO PENETRATE YOUR TEN WITH MINISCULE TECHNIQUE AND DEAL A LETHAL BLOW.
A HIGHLY SKILLED NEN OPPONENT ...

LISTEN TO ME, GON, KILLUA...


DURING THAT TIME, I WILL TEACH YOU AS MUCH AS I CAN.
SO YOU SHOULD WAIT 2 MONTHS BEFORE YOU START FIGHTING!


BUT I'M ITCHING TO FIGHT RIGHT NOW!
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SORRY, MR. WING...
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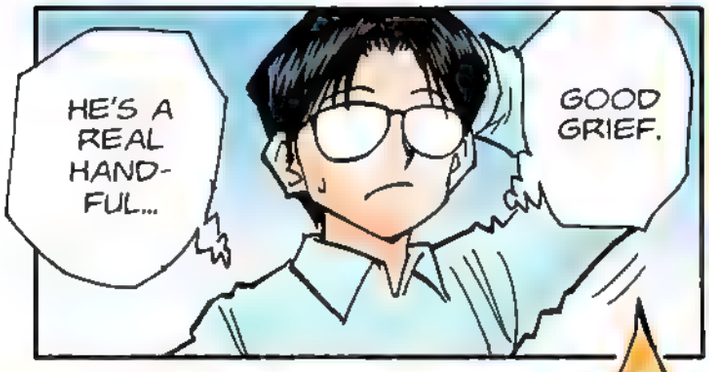
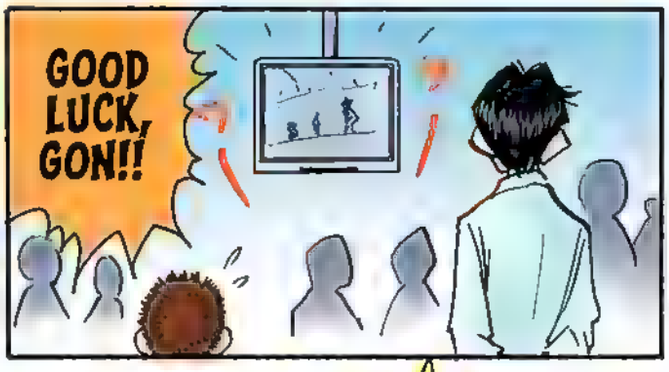

HE'S A REAL HAND-FUL...
GOOD GRIEF.


GOOD LUCK, GON!!

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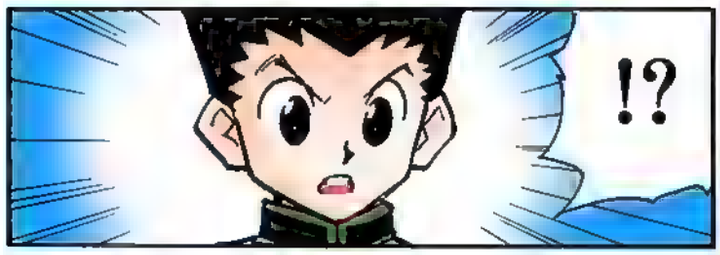
BEGIN !!

SO YOU PROBABLY WON'T DIE.

I'M NOT AS STRONG AS THE OTHERS.
KID... YOU GOT LUCKY FIGHTING ME.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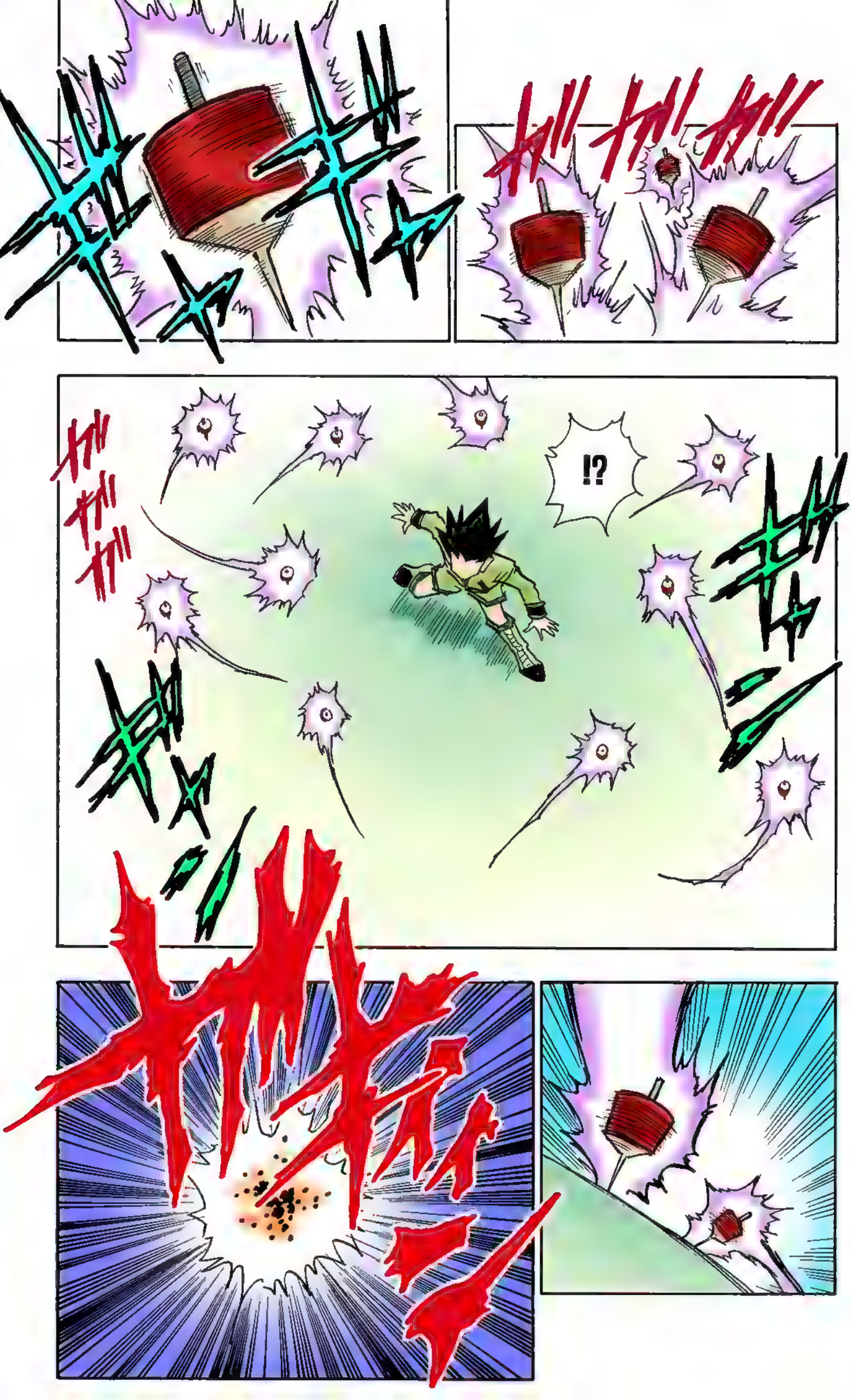
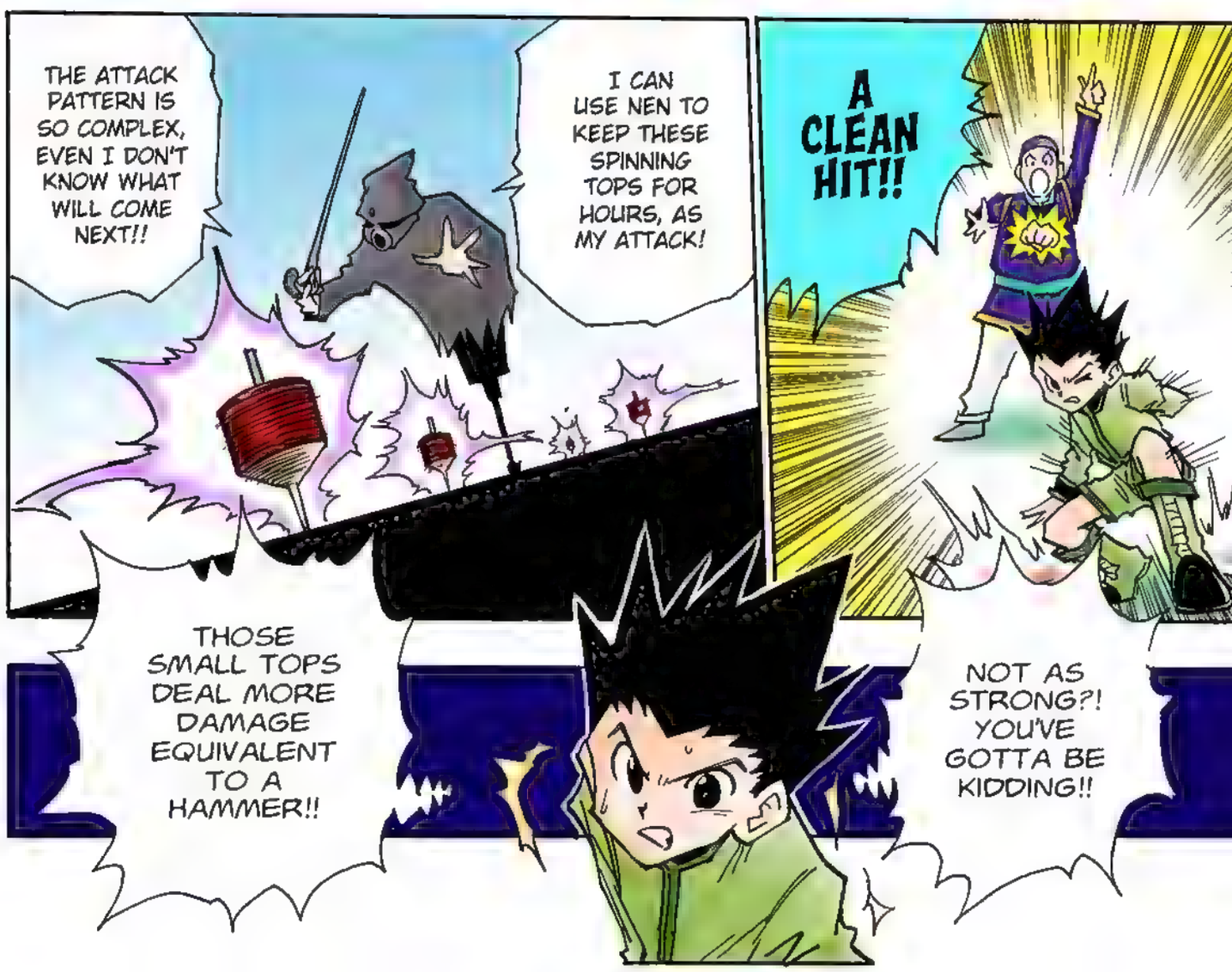
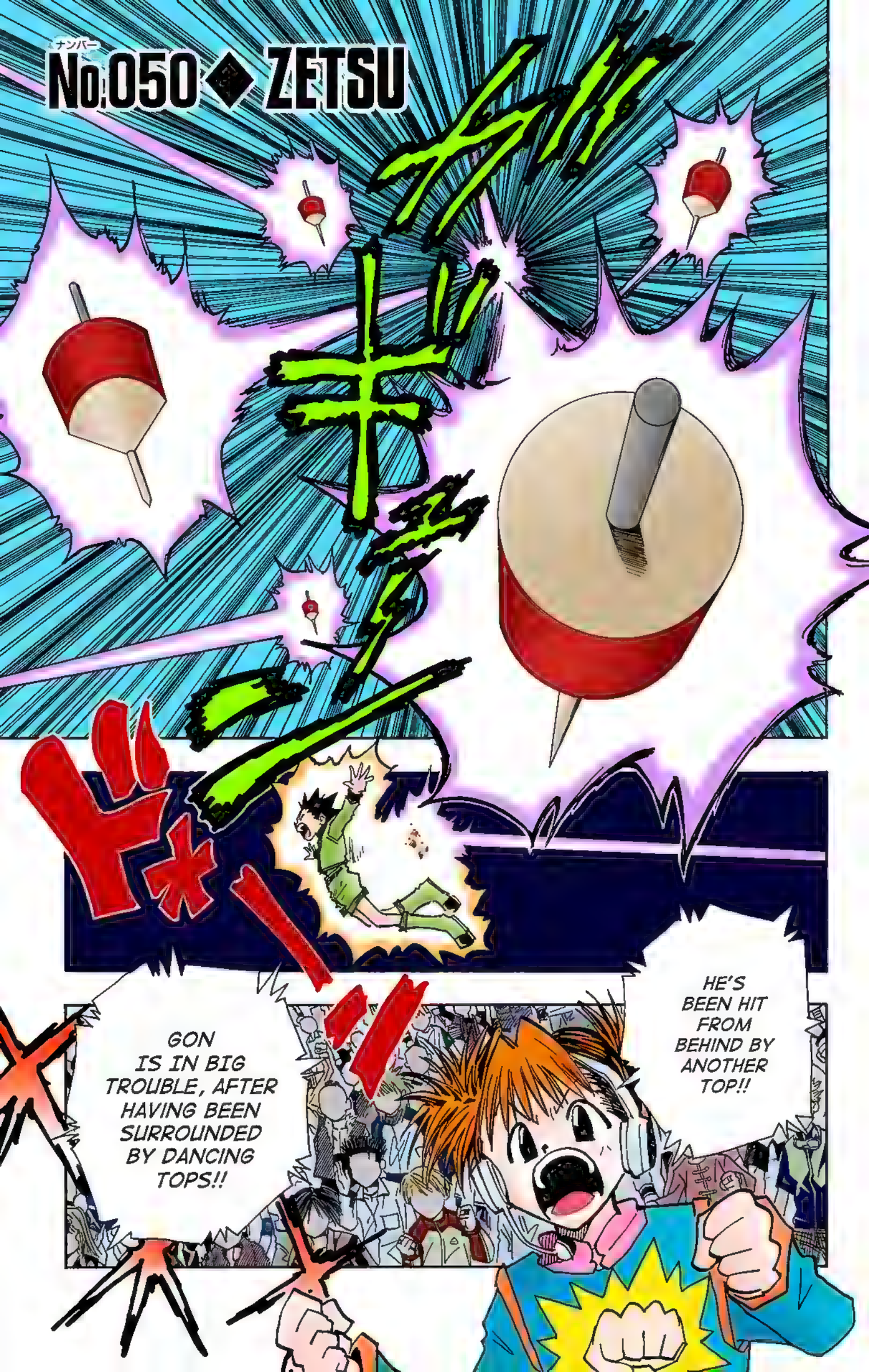
GO BATTLE WALTZ!!

THERE THEY ARE!! GIDO'S DANCING TOPS!!
HE USES 10 SPINNING TOPS TO LAUNCH AS AN ATTACK ON HIS OPPONENTS!



THE TOPS ARE SPINNING INTO EACH OTHER AND ATTACK ME AT THE SAME TIME!!
AGH...


THE ATTACK PATTERN IS SO COMPLEX, EVEN I DON'T KNOW WHAT WILL COME NEXT!!
I CAN USE NEN TO KEEP THESE SPINNING TOPS FOR HOURS, AS MY ATTACK!
A CLEAN HIT!!
THOSE SMALL TOPS DEAL MORE DAMAGE EQUIVALENT TO A HAMMER!!
NOT AS STRONG?! YOU'VE GOTTA BE KIDDING!!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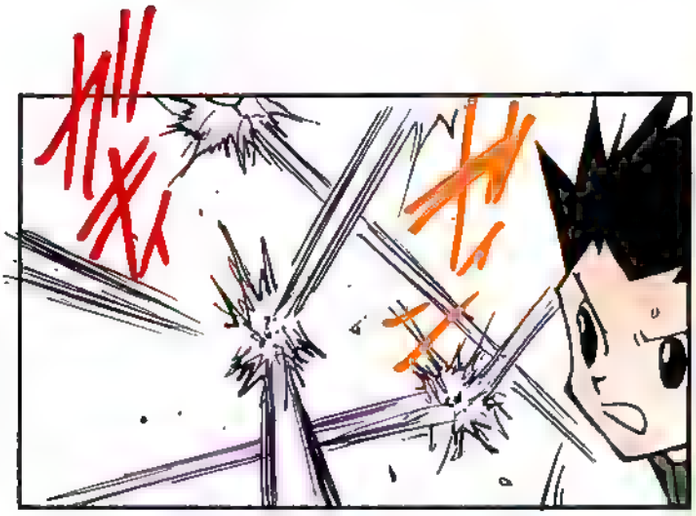
GON IS IN BIG TROUBLE, AFTER HAVING BEEN SURROUNDED BY DANCING TOPS!!
HE'S BEEN HIT FROM BEHIND BY ANOTHER TOP!!



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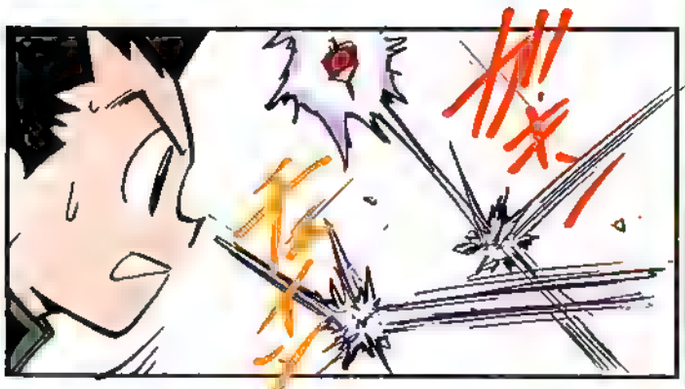

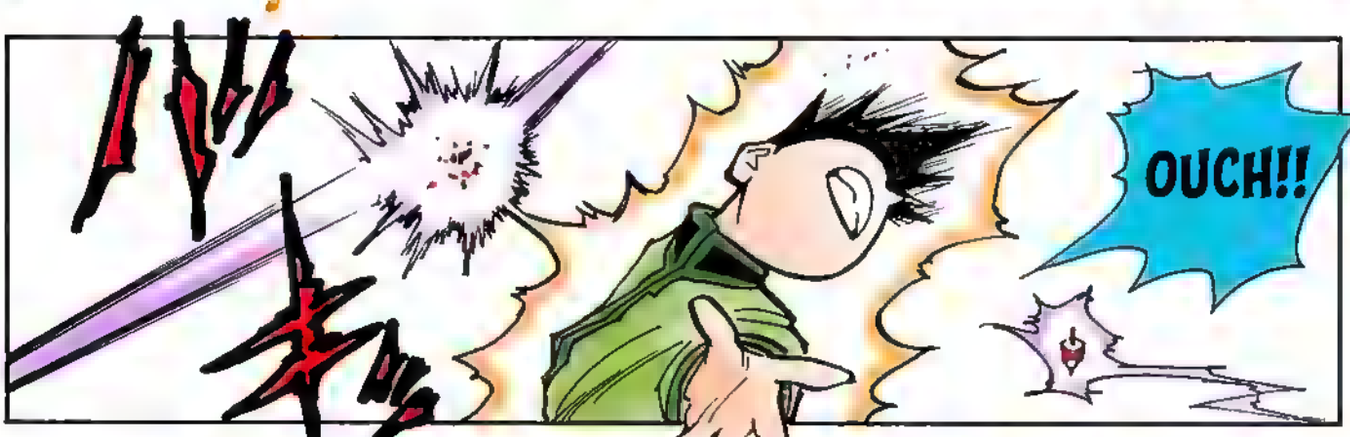
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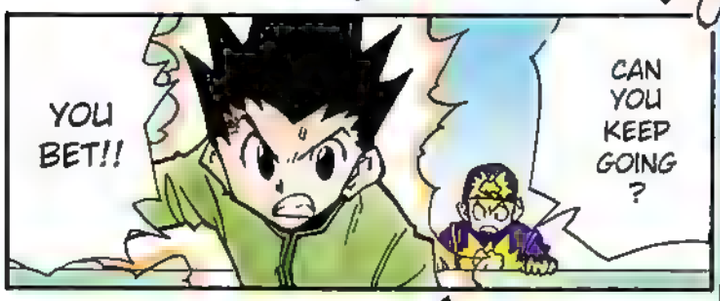
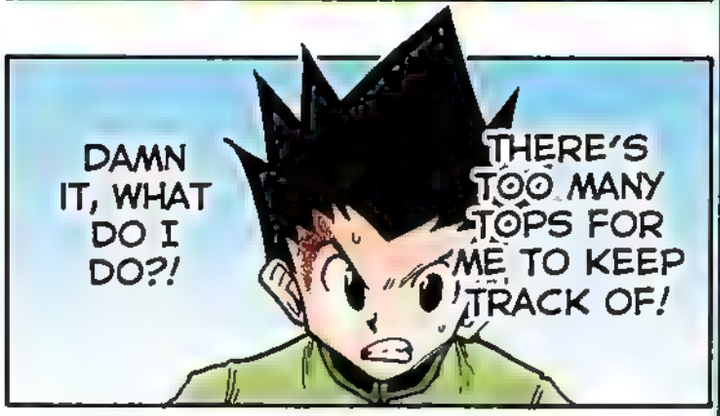
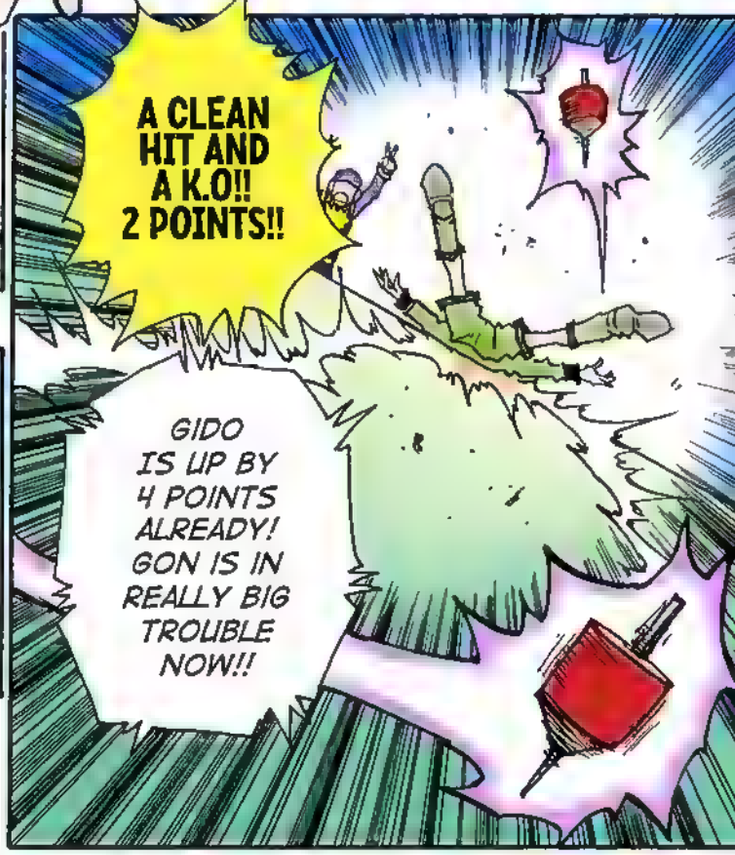
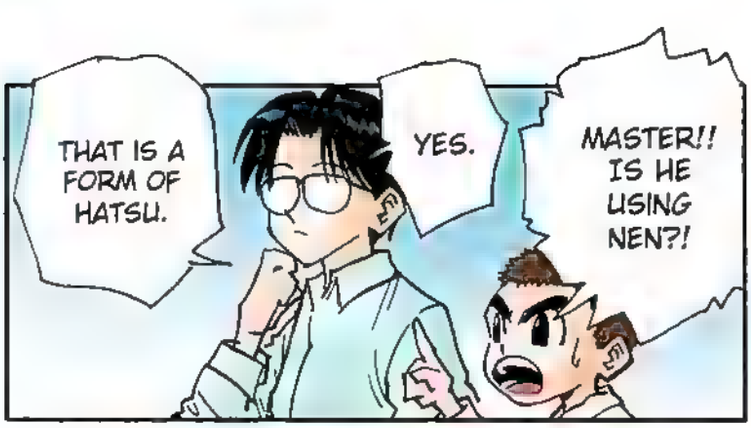
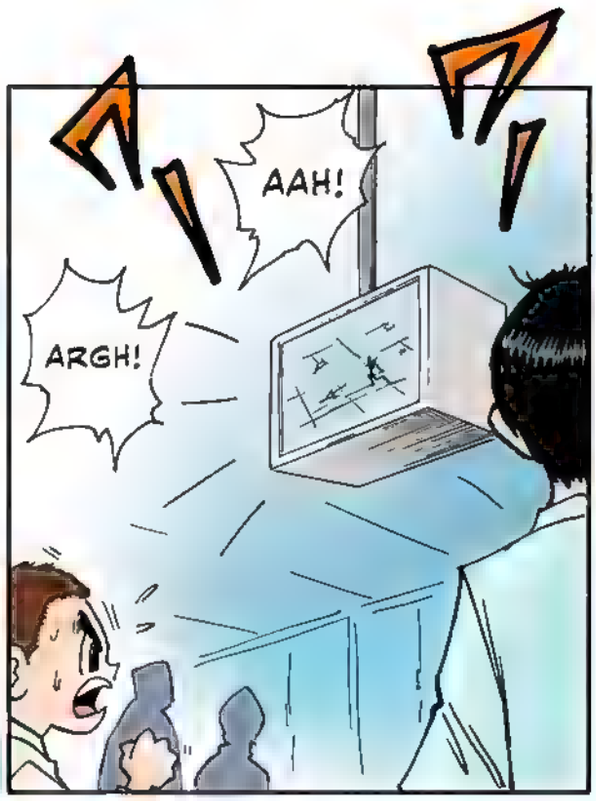

YOU BET!!
CAN YOU KEEP GOING ?

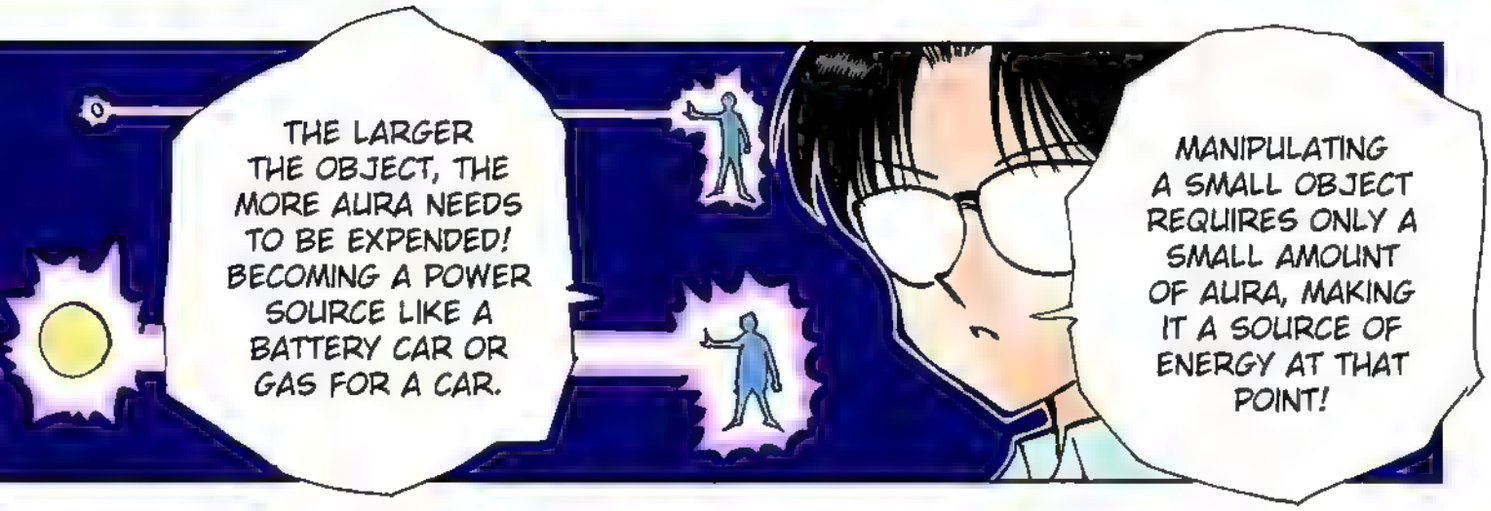

DAMN IT, WHAT DO I DO?!
THERE'S TOO MANY TOPS FOR ME TO KEEP TRACK OF!

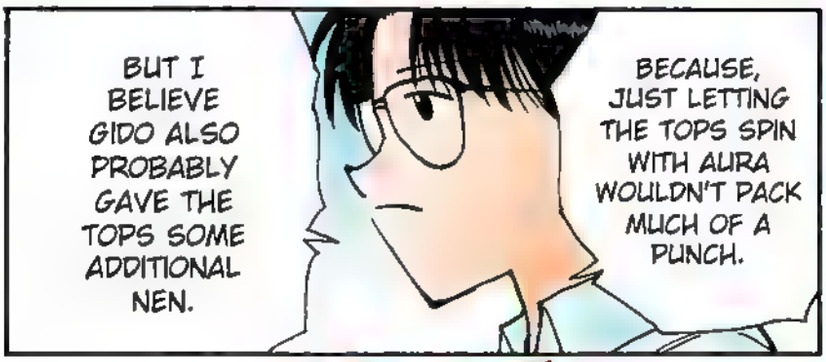

A CLEAN HIT AND A K.O!! 2 POINTS!!
GIDO IS UP BY 4 POINTS ALREADY! GON IS IN REALLY BIG TROUBLE NOW!!

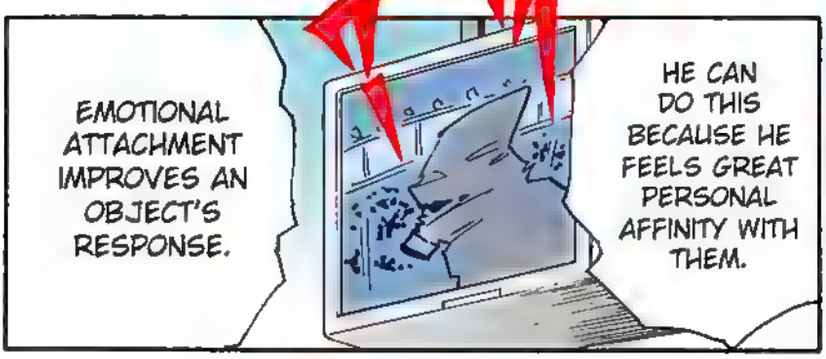

THAT IS A FORM OF HATSU.
YES.
MASTER!! IS HE USING NEN?!

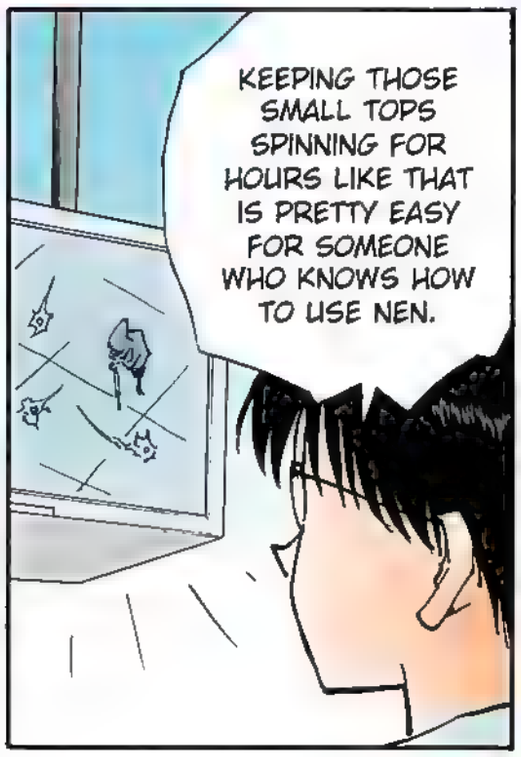

AAH!
ARGH!

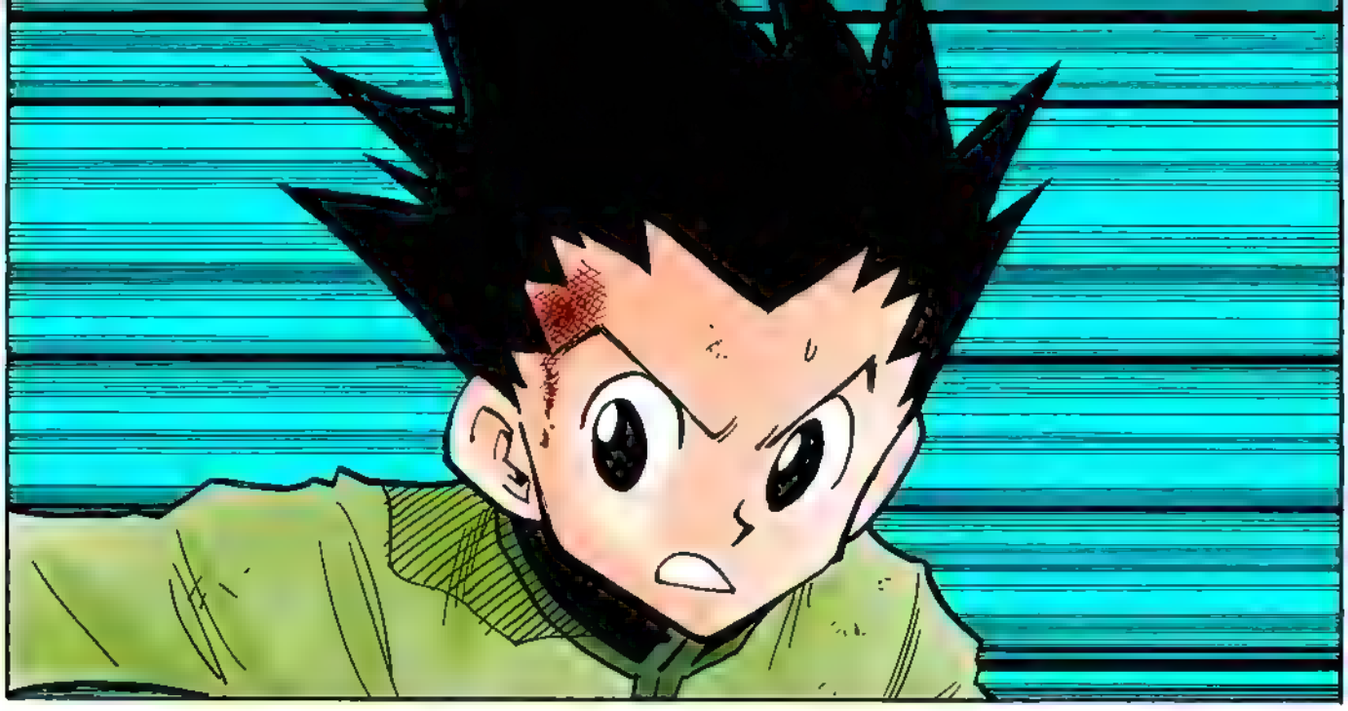
THAT ALLOWS THE TOPS TO MOVE WITH MORE STRENGTH AND SPEED THAN NORMALLY POSSIBLE.
HE'S PROJECTING HIS AURA INTO THE TOPS.

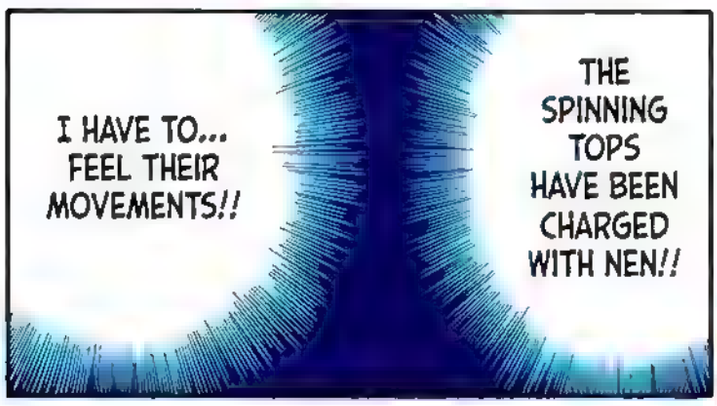

THE LARGER THE OBJECT, THE MORE AURA NEEDS TO BE EXPENDED! BECOMING A POWER SOURCE LIKE A BATTERY CAR OR GAS FOR A CAR.
MANIPULATING A SMALL OBJECT REQUIRES ONLY A SMALL AMOUNT OF AURA, MAKING IT A SOURCE OF ENERGY AT THAT POINT!

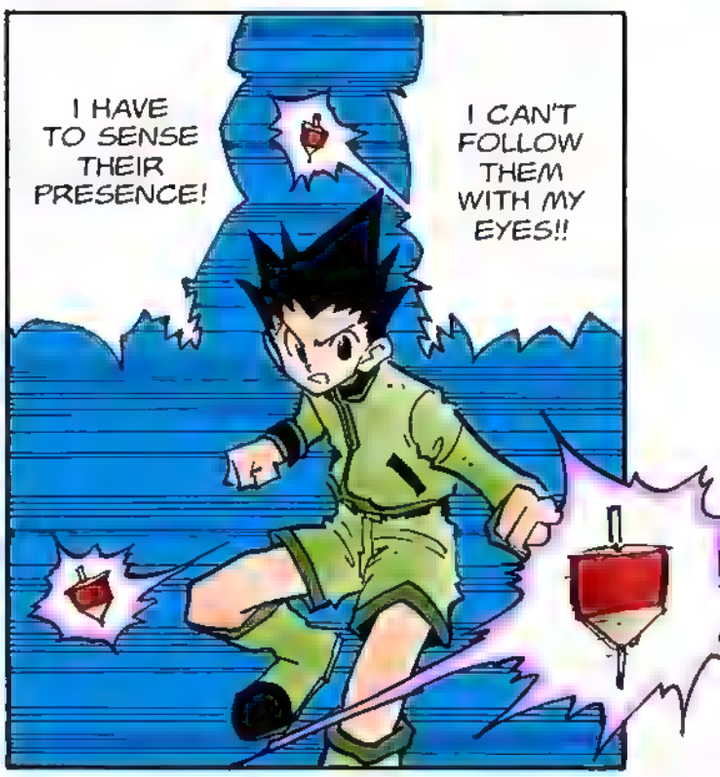

BUT I BELIEVE GIDO ALSO PROBABLY GAVE THE TOPS SOME ADDITIONAL NEN.
BECAUSE, JUST LETTING THE TOPS SPIN WITH AURA WOULDN'T PACK MUCH OF A PUNCH.

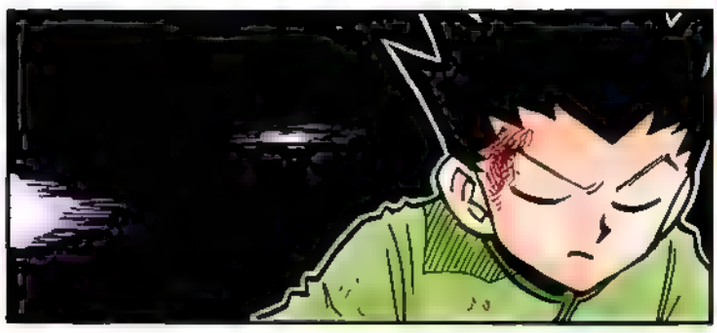

EMOTIONAL ATTACHMENT IMPROVES AN OBJECT'S RESPONSE.
HE CAN DO THIS BECAUSE HE FEELS GREAT PERSONAL AFFINITY WITH THEM.


KEEPING THOSE SMALL TOPS SPINNING FOR HOURS LIKE THAT IS PRETTY EASY FOR SOMEONE WHO KNOWS HOW TO USE NEN.




I HAVE TO... FEEL THEIR MOVEMENTS!!
THE SPINNING TOPS HAVE BEEN CHARGED WITH NEN!!


I HAVE TO SENSE THEIR PRESENCE!
I CAN'T FOLLOW THEM WITH MY EYES!!



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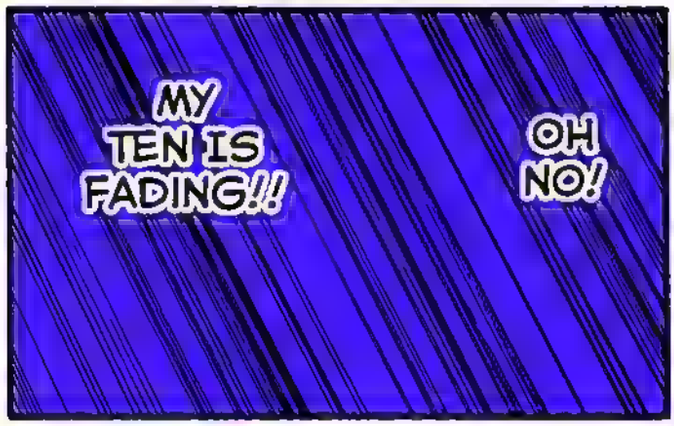
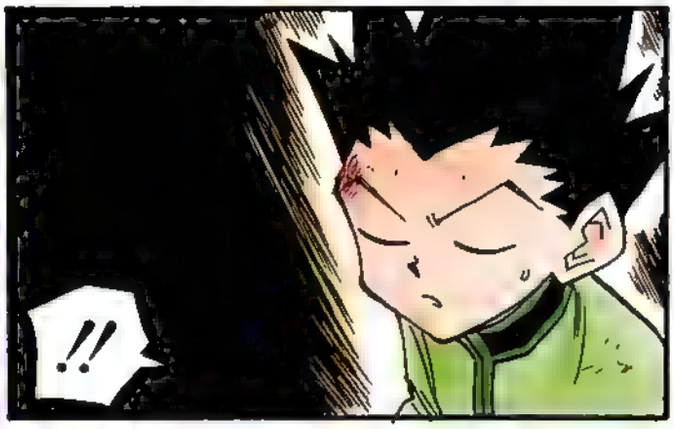
YEAH, I FEEL IT!!


MY TEN IS FADING!!
OH NO!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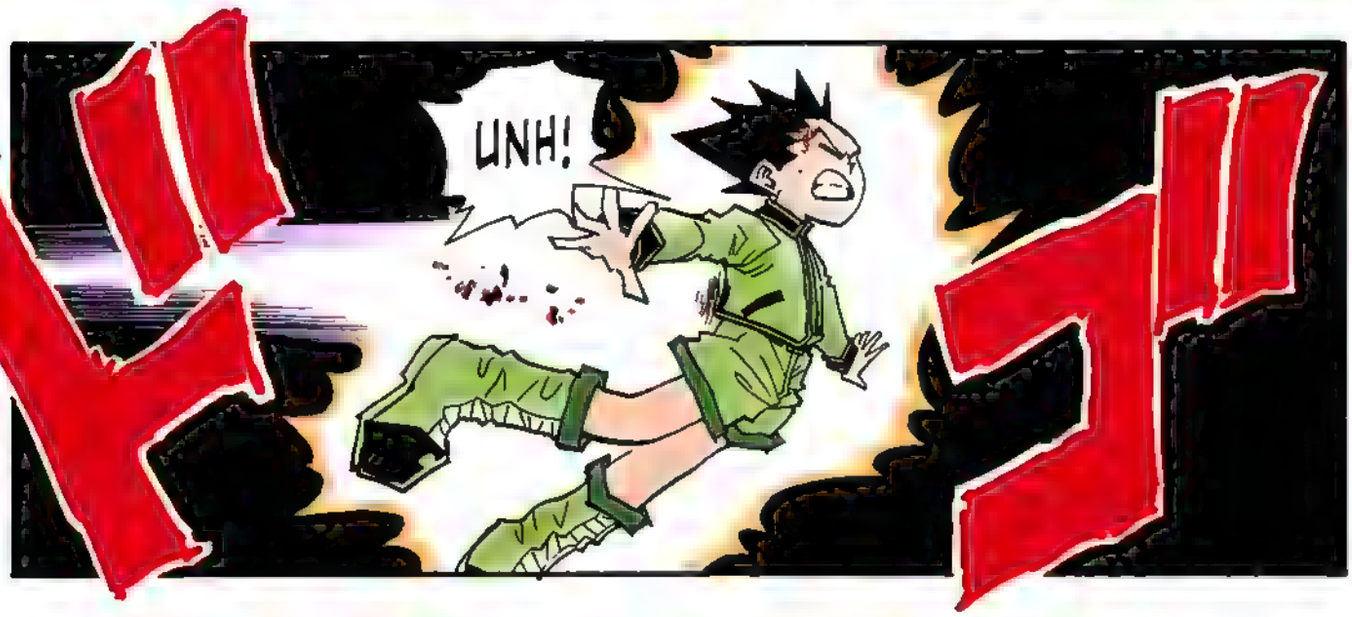
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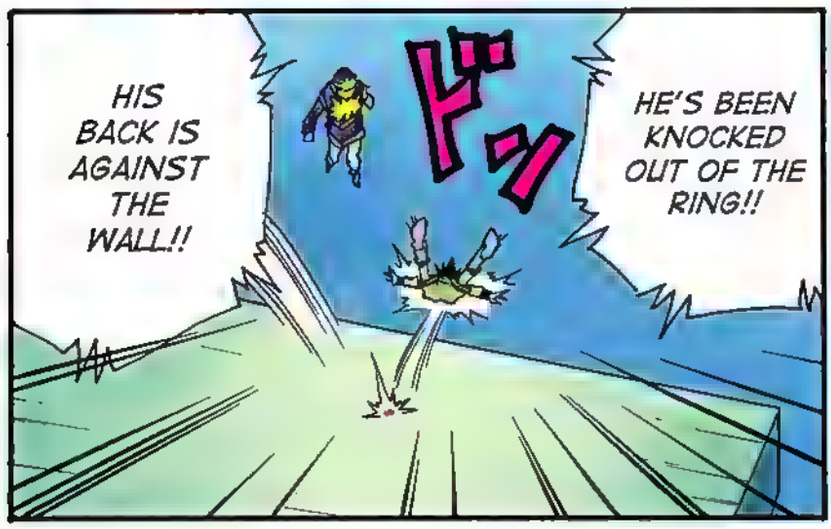
HIS BACK IS AGAINST THE WALL!!
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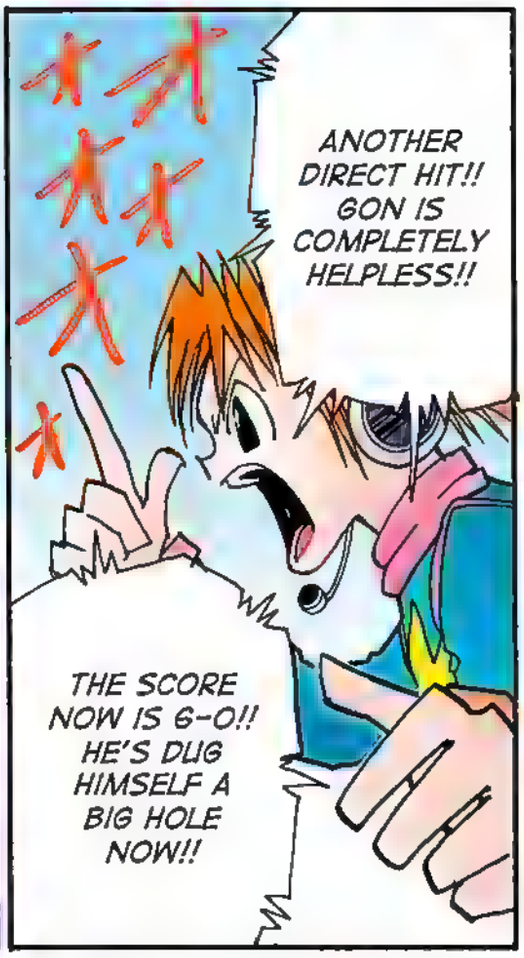
HE'S BEEN KNOCKED OUT OF THE RING!!


ANOTHER DIRECT HIT!! GON IS COMPLETELY HELPLESS!!
THE SCORE NOW IS 6-0!! HE'S DUG HIMSELF A BIG HOLE NOW!!

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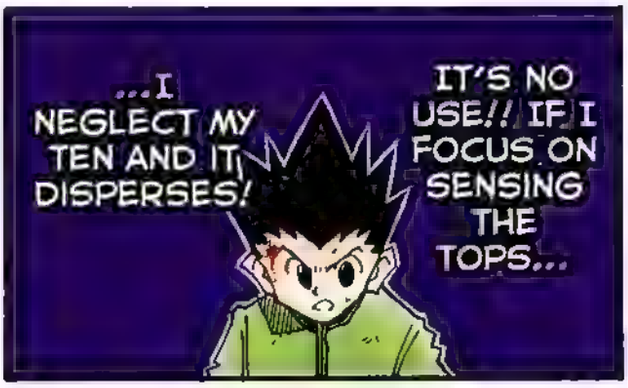
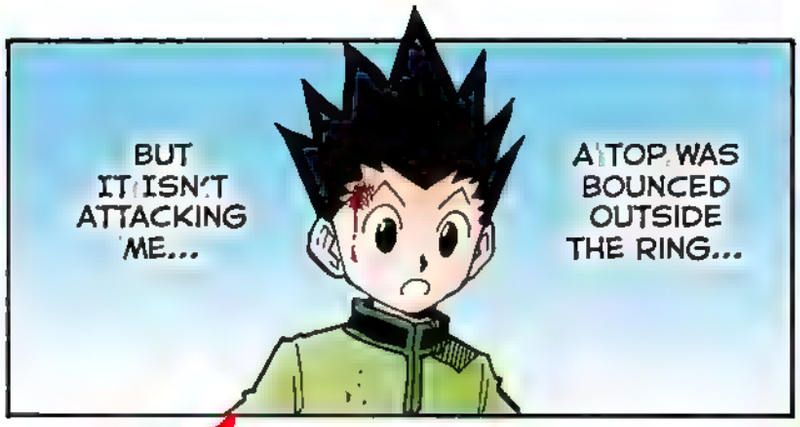

...I NEGLECT MY TEN AND IT DISPERSES!
IT'S NO USE!! IF I FOCUS ON SENSING THE TOPS...


BUT IT ISN'T ATTACKING ME...
A TOP WAS BOUNCED OUTSIDE THE RING...

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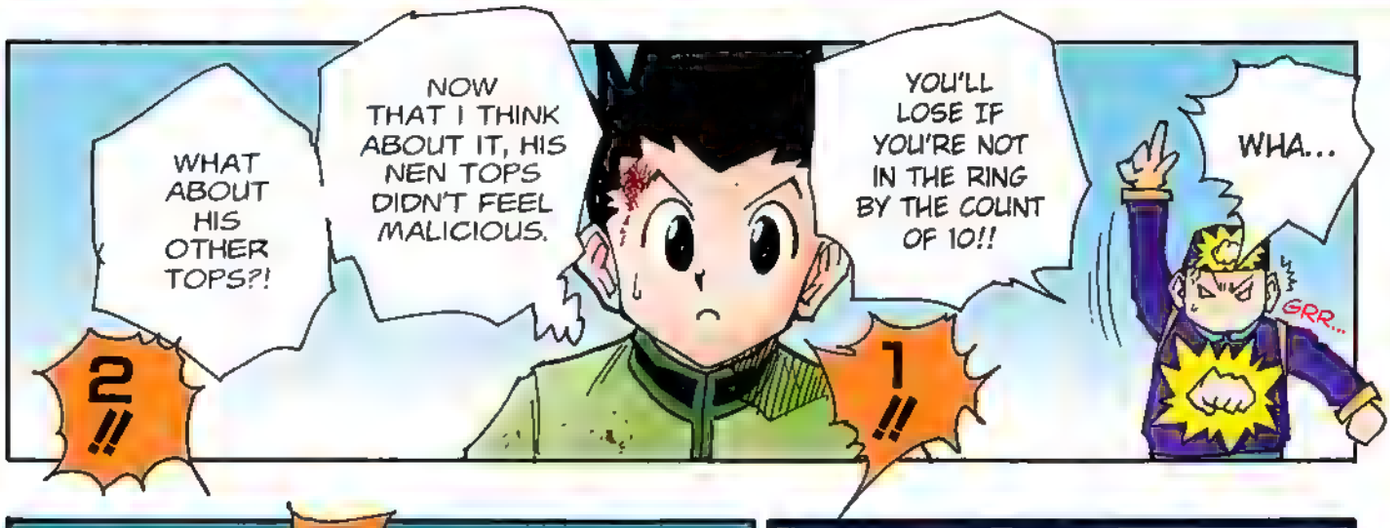
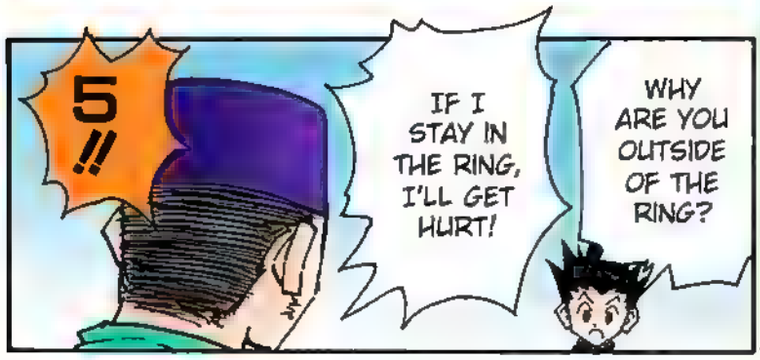
I'M THINKING RIGHT NOW!!
BE QUIET.
WHAT'S WRONG? CAN YOU KEEP FIGHTING ?!


WHAT ABOUT HIS OTHER TOPS?!
2 !!
NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, HIS NEN TOPS DIDN'T FEEL MALICIOUS.
YOU'LL LOSE IF YOU'RE NOT IN THE RING BY THE COUNT OF 10!!
1 !!
WHA...
GRR...

...THE TOPS AREN'T ACTUALLY TARGETING ME?
4 !!
PERHAPS...

3 !!
THEY'RE SPINNING AROUND...
...BUMPING INTO EACH OTHER...


5 !!
IF I STAY IN THE RING, I'LL GET HURT!
WHY ARE YOU OUTSIDE OF THE RING?

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THIS IS LIKE A GAME OF SUMO TOPS!
THAT'S IT!
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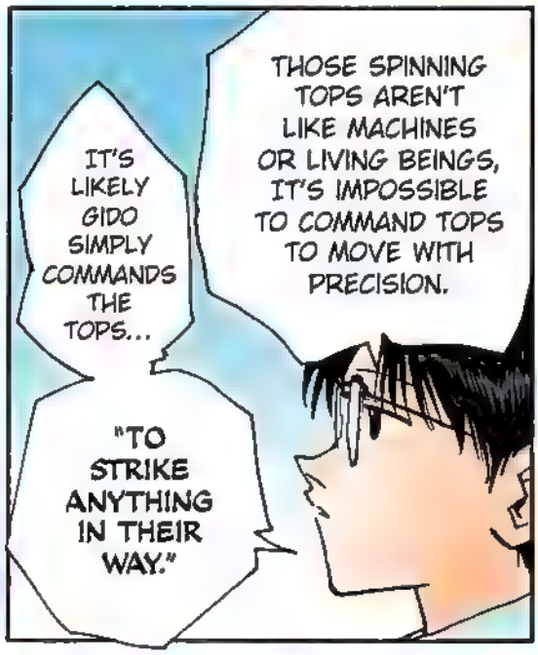
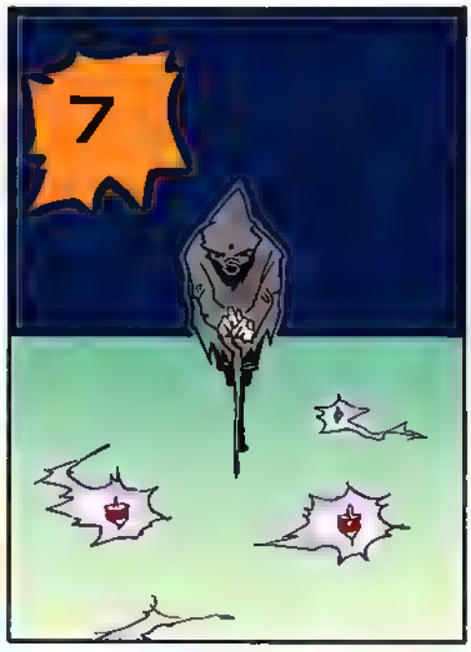
OF COURSE, THE TOPS CAN'T IDENTIFY ANY KIND OF OBSTACLES.
THEY SPIN AROUND, "STRIKING" WHATEVER HAPPENS TO CROSS THEIR PATHS.


THOSE SPINNING TOPS AREN'T LIKE MACHINES OR LIVING BEINGS, IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO COMMAND TOPS TO MOVE WITH PRECISION.
IT'S LIKELY GIDO SIMPLY COMMANDS THE TOPS...
"TO STRIKE ANYTHING IN THEIR WAY."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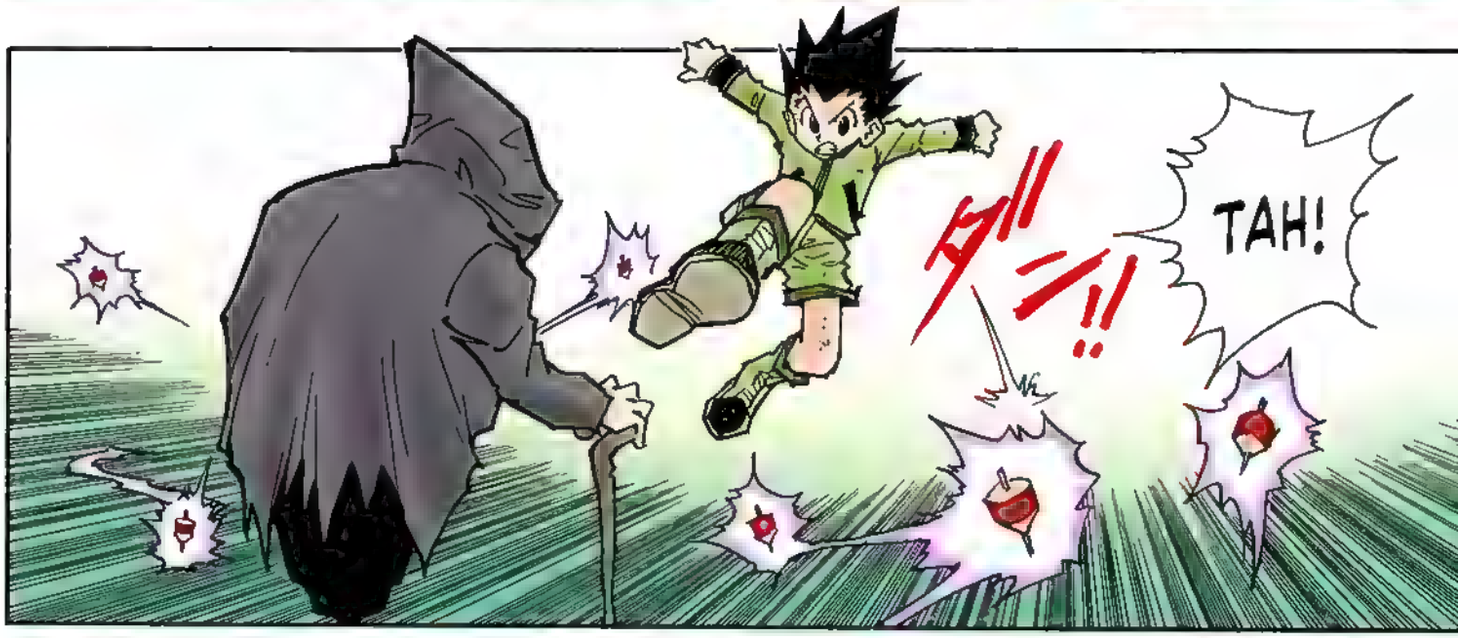
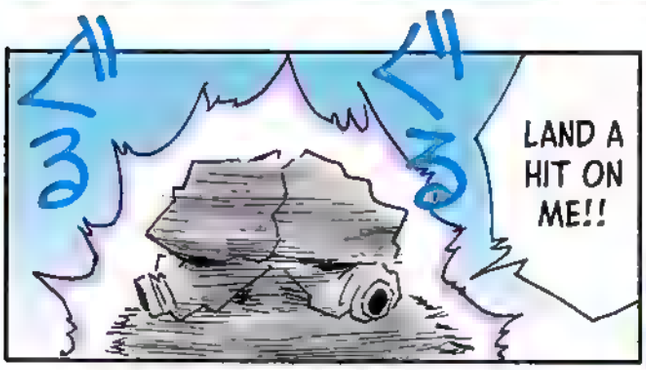
IN THAT CASE, I DON'T NEED TO FEAR THE TOPS!!
IF THEY'RE NOT AIMING FOR ME...

I CAN JUST IGNORE THEM AND ATTACK HIM DIRECTLY!!


TAH!


LAND A HIT ON ME!!

YOU MAY HAVE FIGURED OUT MY TOPS, BUT YOU STILL CAN'T...
HEH...

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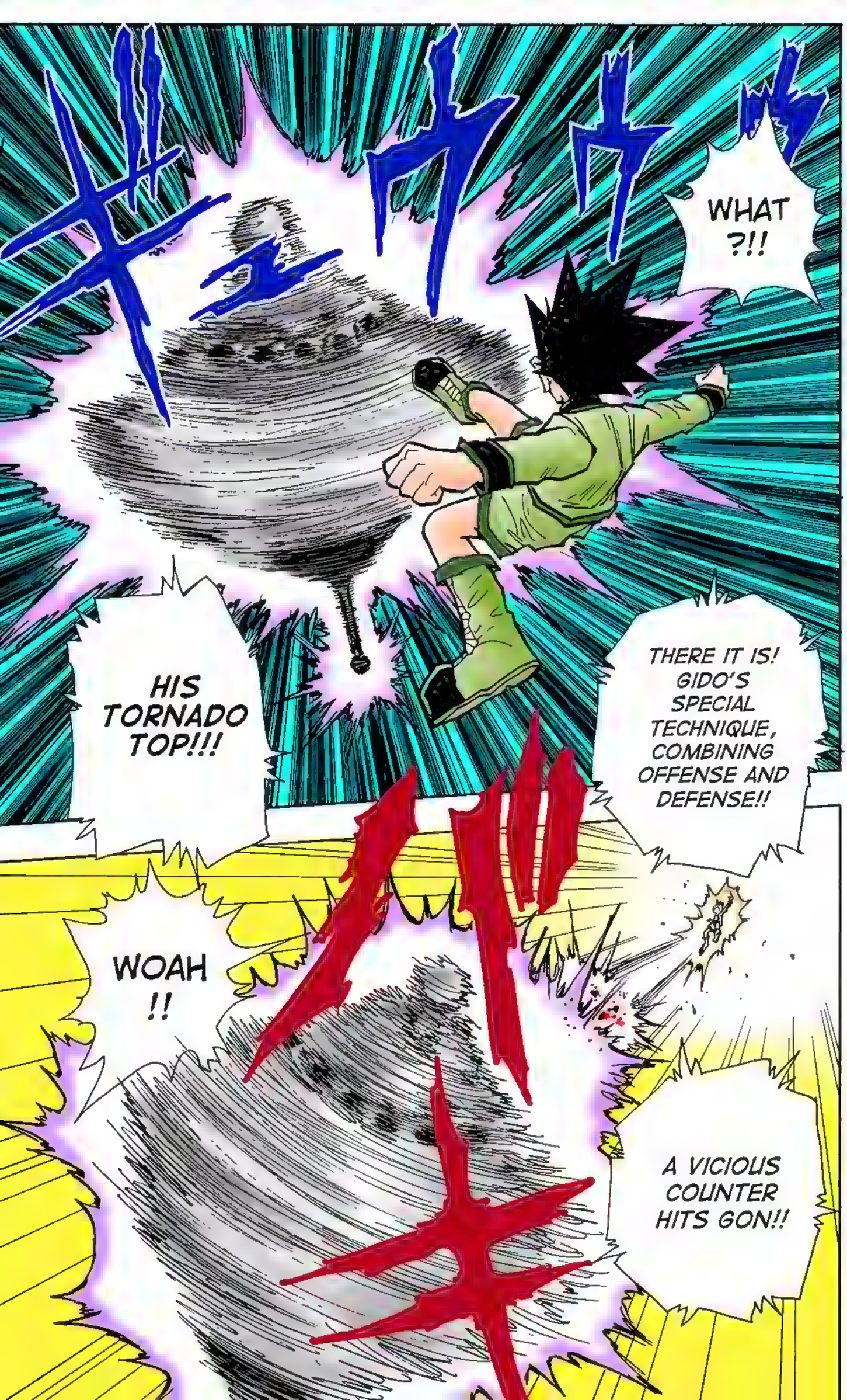
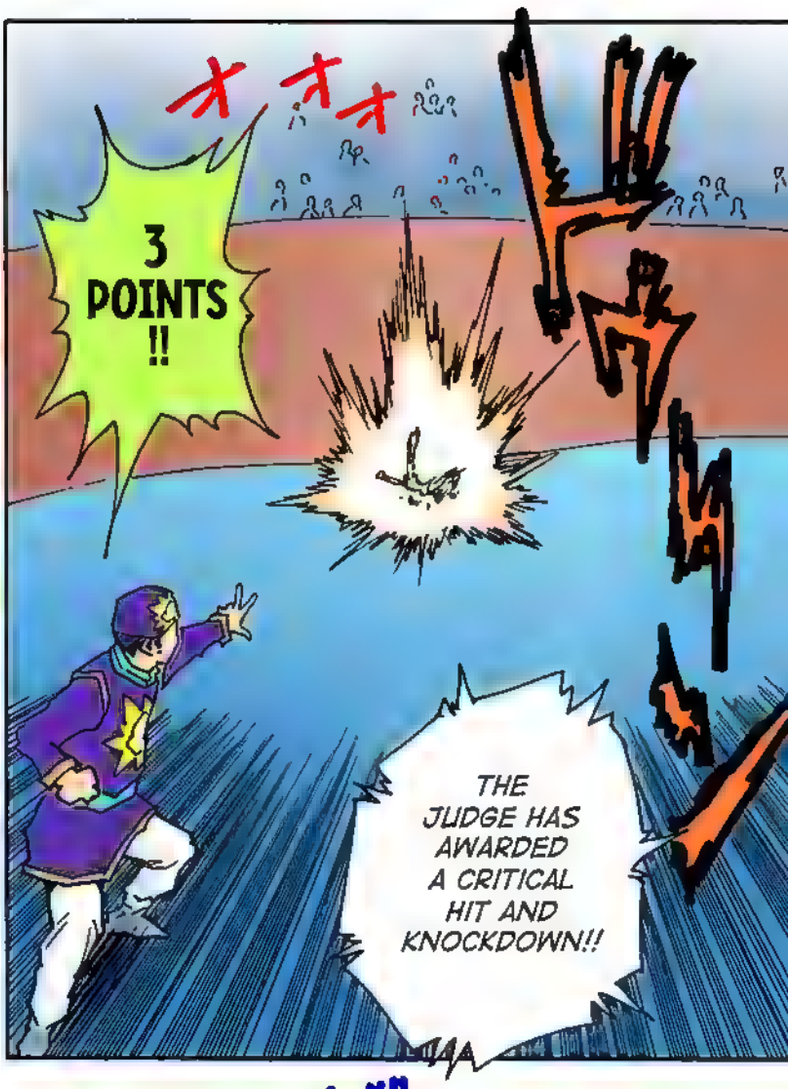
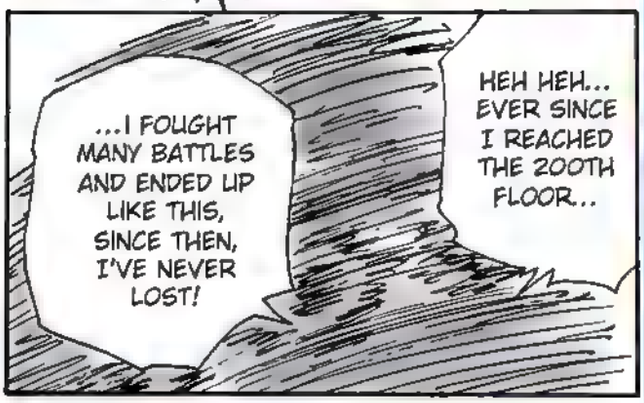
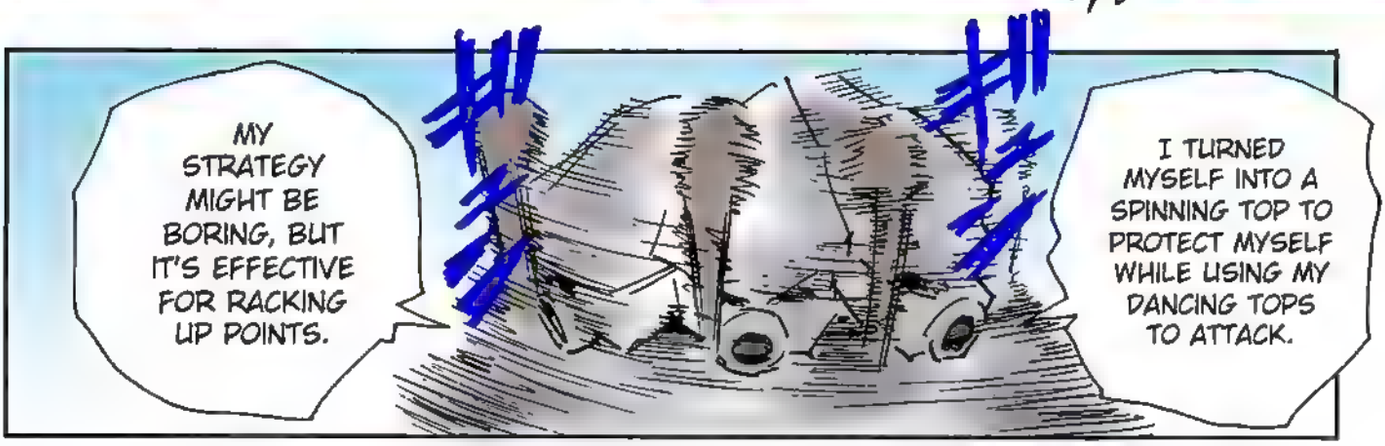

WHAT ?!!
HIS TORNADO TOP!!!
THERE IT IS! GIDO'S SPECIAL TECHNIQUE, COMBINING OFFENSE AND DEFENSE!!
WOAH !!
A VICIOUS COUNTER HITS GON!!

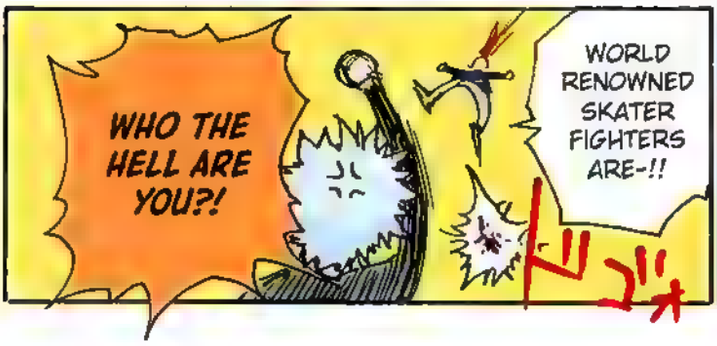
GIDO NOW HAS 9 POINTS TOTAL!!
GON IS ON THE BRINK OF LOSING!!
GIH...


3 POINTS !!
THE JUDGE HAS AWARDED A CRITICAL HIT AND KNOCKDOWN!!


...I FOUGHT MANY BATTLES AND ENDED UP LIKE THIS, SINCE THEN, I'VE NEVER LOST!
HEH HEH... EVER SINCE I REACHED THE 200TH FLOOR...


MY STRATEGY MIGHT BE BORING, BUT IT'S EFFECTIVE FOR RACKING UP POINTS.
I TURNED MYSELF INTO A SPINNING TOP TO PROTECT MYSELF WHILE USING MY DANCING TOPS TO ATTACK.

THAT'S EASY TO OVERCOME THROUGH TRAINING.
HMPH... THAT'S AN AMATEUR WAY OF THINKING, KID.


WHO THE HELL ARE YOU?!
WORLD RENOWNED SKATER FIGHTERS ARE-!!
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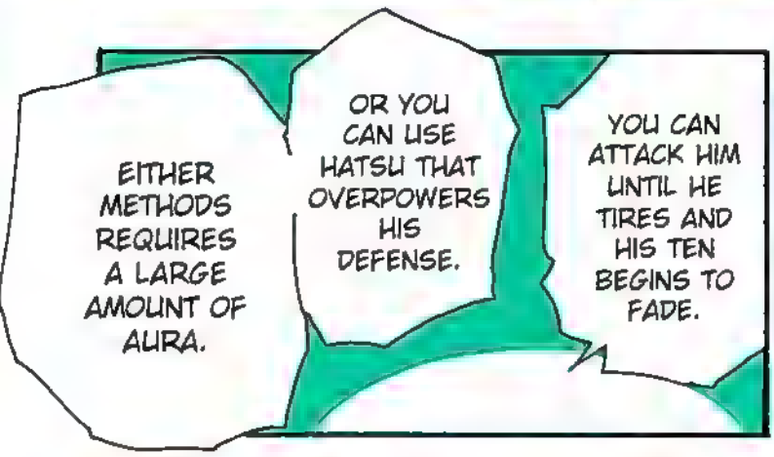
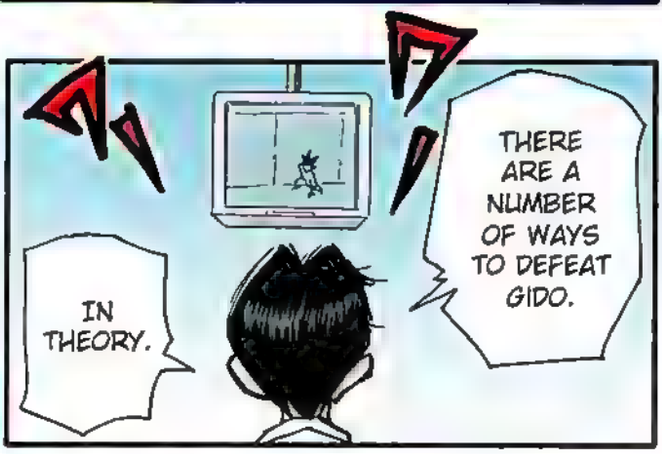
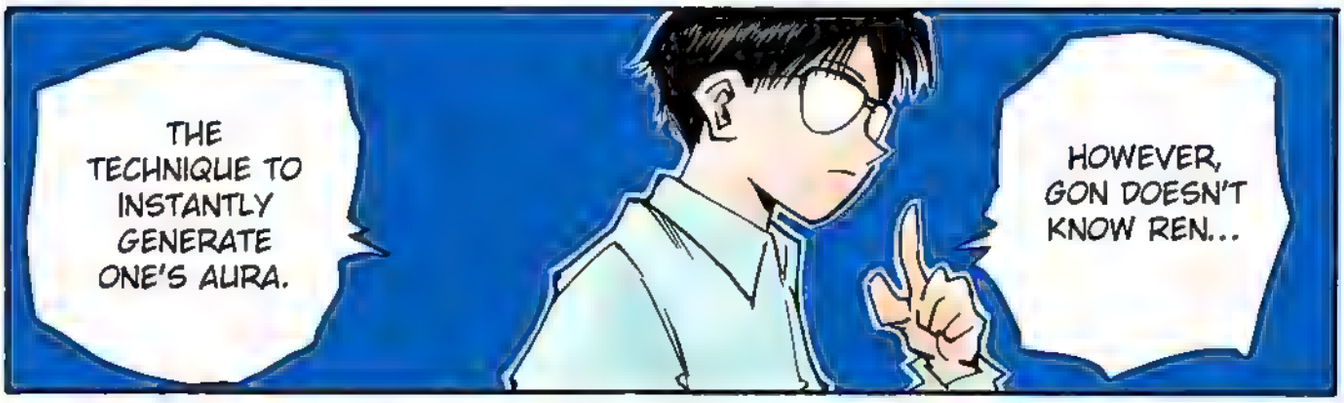
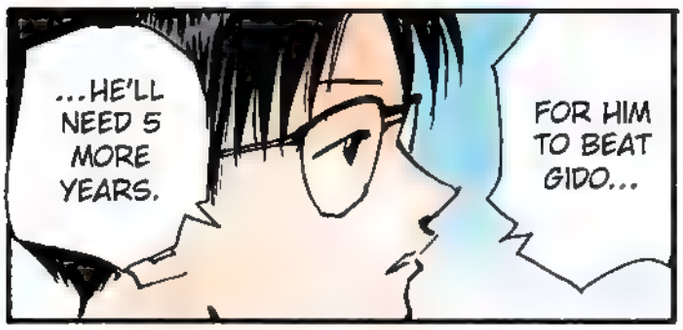
LET HIM SPIN, HE'LL JUST GET TOO DIZZY TO FIGHT!!
GON!! DON'T EVEN BOTHER ATTACKING !!

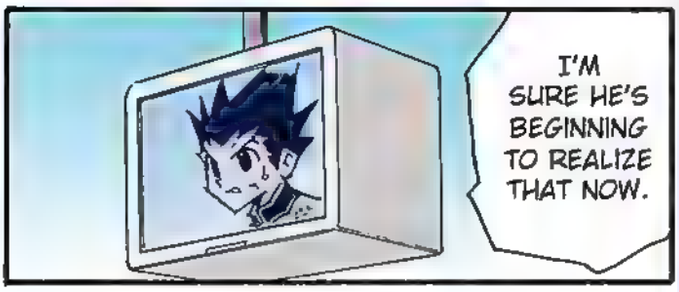
WHAT I SUPPOSED TO DO?!
HOW ...?!

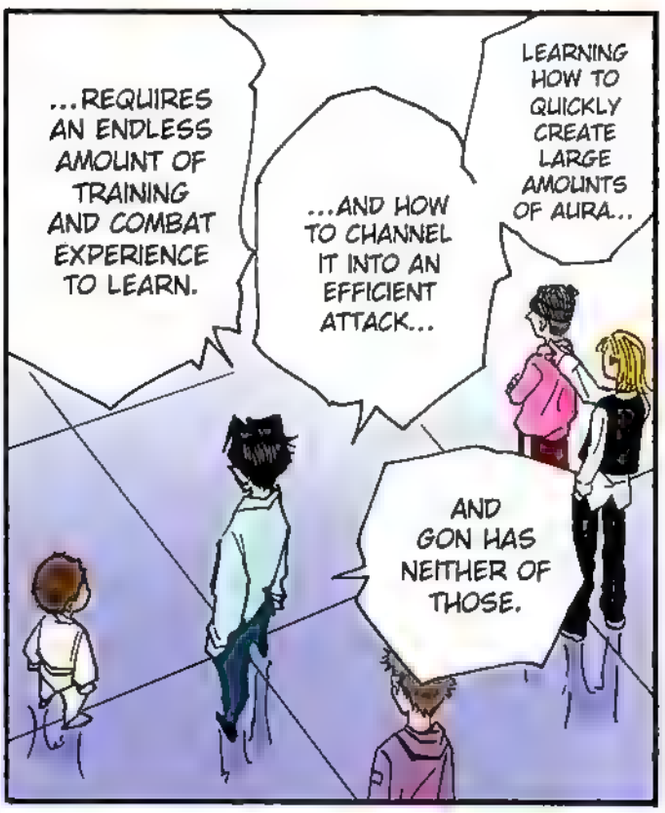

EITHER METHODS REQUIRES A LARGE AMOUNT OF AURA.
OR YOU CAN USE HATSU THAT OVERPOWERS HIS DEFENSE.
YOU CAN ATTACK HIM UNTIL HE TIRES AND HIS TEN BEGINS TO FADE.


THERE ARE A NUMBER OF WAYS TO DEFEAT GIDO.
IN THEORY.


THE TECHNIQUE TO INSTANTLY GENERATE ONE'S AURA.
HOWEVER, GON DOESN'T KNOW REN...


...HE'LL NEED 5 MORE YEARS.
FOR HIM TO BEAT GIDO...


I'M SURE HE'S BEGINNING TO REALIZE THAT NOW.


...REQUIRES AN ENDLESS AMOUNT OF TRAINING AND COMBAT EXPERIENCE TO LEARN.
...AND HOW TO CHANNEL IT INTO AN EFFICIENT ATTACK...
LEARNING HOW TO QUICKLY CREATE LARGE AMOUNTS OF AURA...
AND GON HAS NEITHER OF THOSE.

WHAT WILL IT TAKE TO PROLONG THIS MATCH!!

WHAT DO I DO?

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BUT I WANT TO KEEP FIGHTING!!

IF HE SCORES ONE MORE POINT, IT'S OVER!!

GON ?!

WHAT THE...

WHAT CAN I DO RIGHT NOW...

I CAN...

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HE RELEASED HIS TEN?!

EVEN THE NORMAL FAINT LEAK OF AURA IS CLOSED OFF SO HE NOW HAS ABSOLUTELY NO DEFENSE AGAINST NEN!!

THAT TECHNIQUE FOR CONCEALING YOUR PRESENCE! ALL THE NODES ARE CLOSED AND THERE IS NO AURA!!

BUT HE DIDN'T SIMPLY RELEASE IT!! THAT'S... ZETSU!!

THAT'S RECK-LESS!!

DID HE LEARN IT ON HIS OWN, BEFORE WE MET?! IN THAT CASE, HE WOULDN'T KNOW THAT THIS IS ZETSU.

I DIDN'T TEACH HIM ZETSU!!

WHY NOW ...?!

BUT...

THAT BOY CERTAINLY HAS INCREDIBLE POTENTIAL.

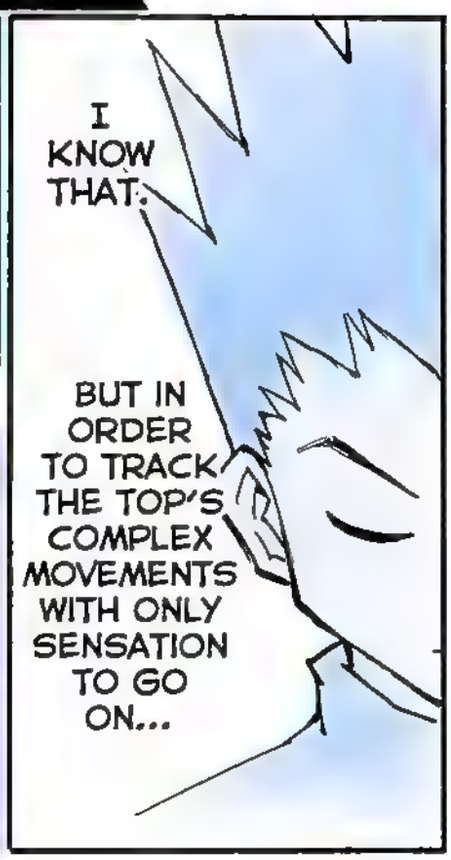
IF THAT'S THE KIND OF LIFE HE LIVED IN, THEN...

HE PERHAPS PICKED IT UP NATURALLY, JUST LIKE A BEAST IN NATURE LEARNS TO HUNT ITS PREY!

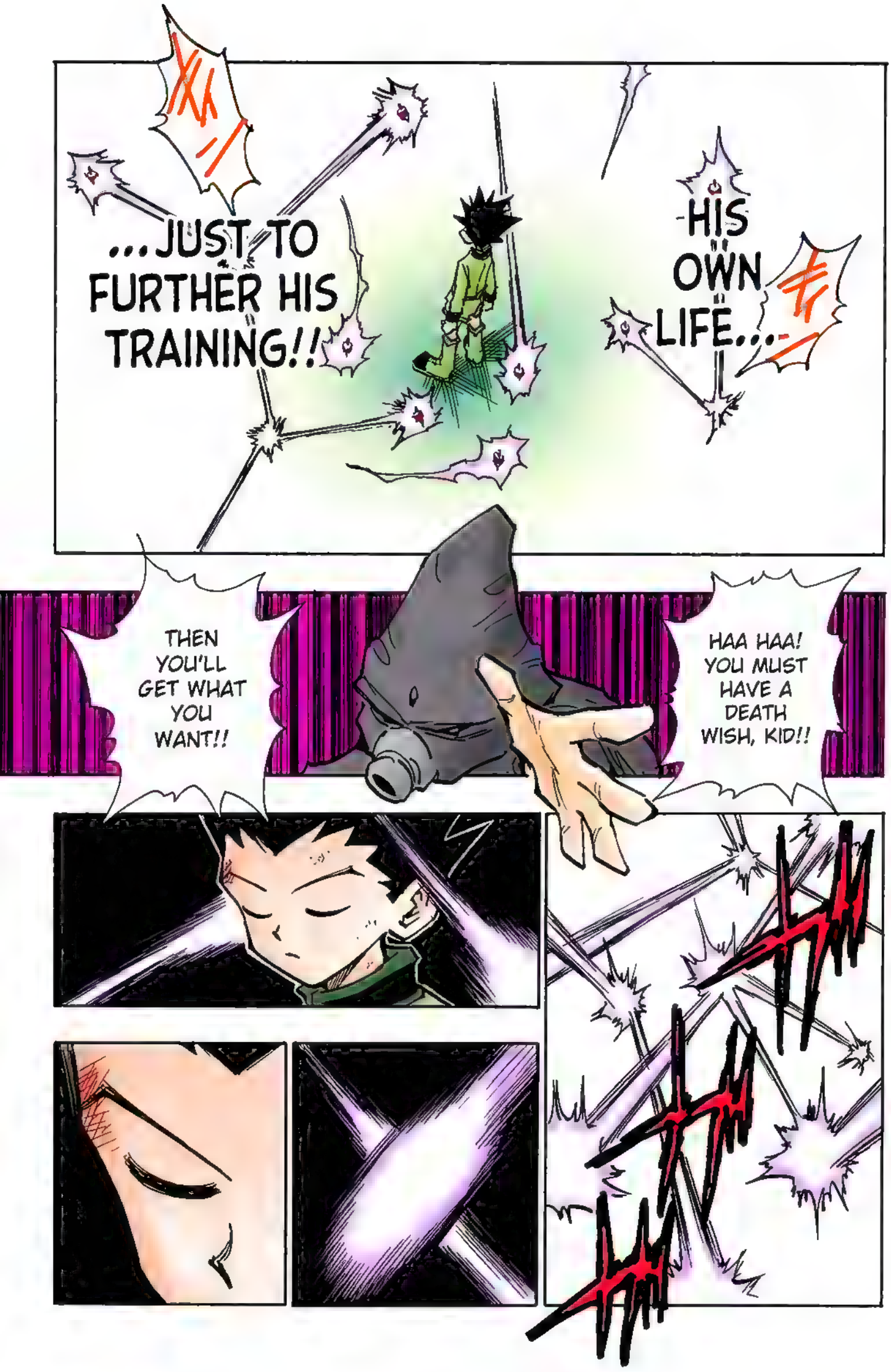
ESPECIALLY IN THIS SITUATION !!

IF YOU'RE HIT BY A NEN ATTACK, WITHOUT PROTECTION, YOU'LL END UP TOTALLY MESSED UP!!
WING TOLD US NOT TO DO THAT, YOU IDIOT!!

I CAN'T AFFORD TO BE DISTRACTED BY MAINTAINING MY TEN RIGHT NOW!!
...I NEED TO FOCUS ALL MY SENSES.


I KNOW THAT.
BUT IN ORDER TO TRACK THE TOP'S COMPLEX MOVEMENTS WITH ONLY SENSATION TO GO ON...

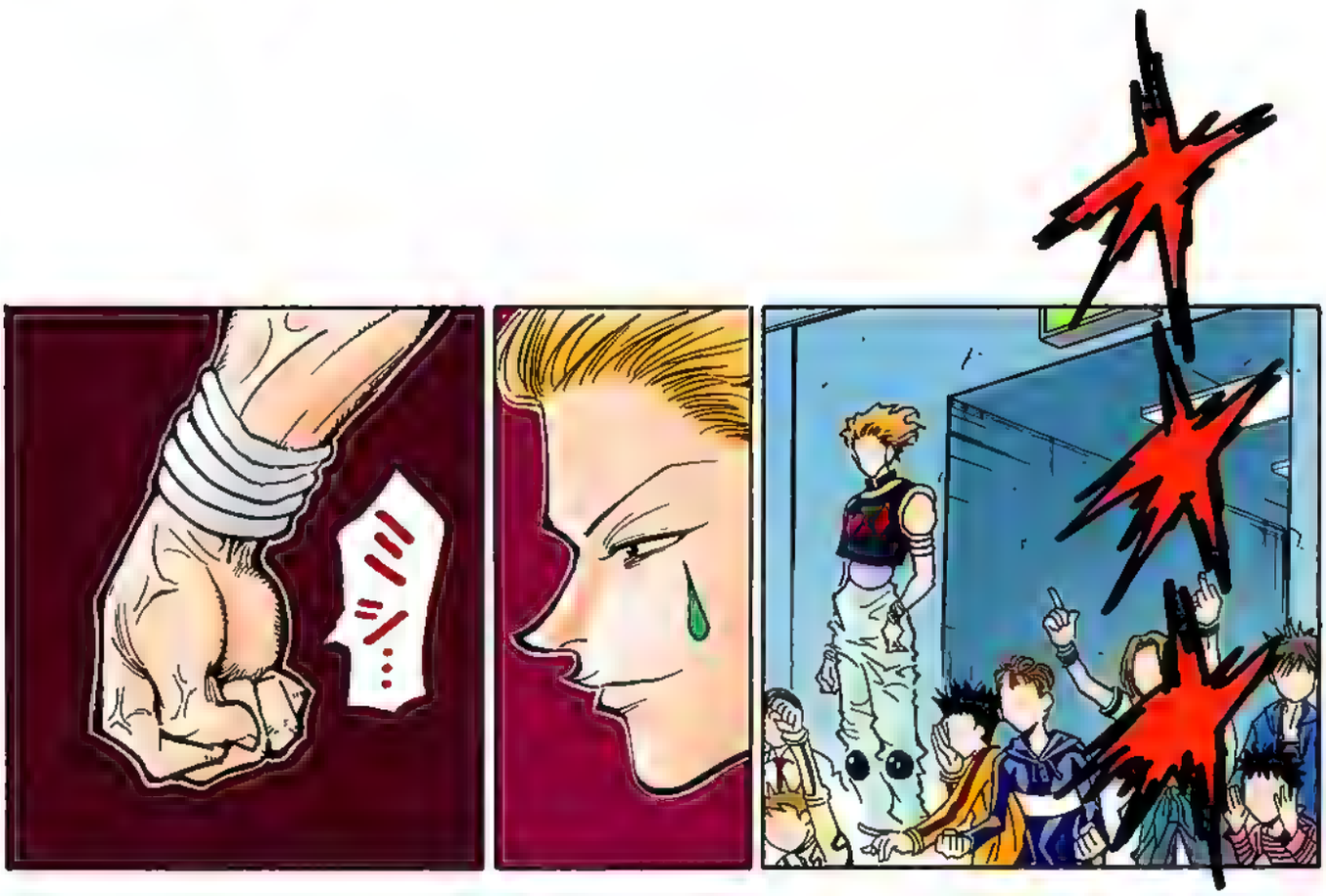
HE'S RISKING HIS LIFE...
NO WAY... COULD IT BE THAT HE NEVER INTENDED TO WIN THIS MATCH TO WIN THIS MATCH?!


...JUST TO FURTHER HIS TRAINING!!
HIS OWN LIFE...
THEN YOU'LL GET WHAT YOU WANT!!
HAA HAA! YOU MUST HAVE A DEATH WISH, KID!!

CONCENTRATE ON DODGING MY OPPONENT'S ATTACKS!

THIS IS ALL I CAN DO RIGHT NOW...

...I CAN STILL FIGHT!!
THIS WAY...



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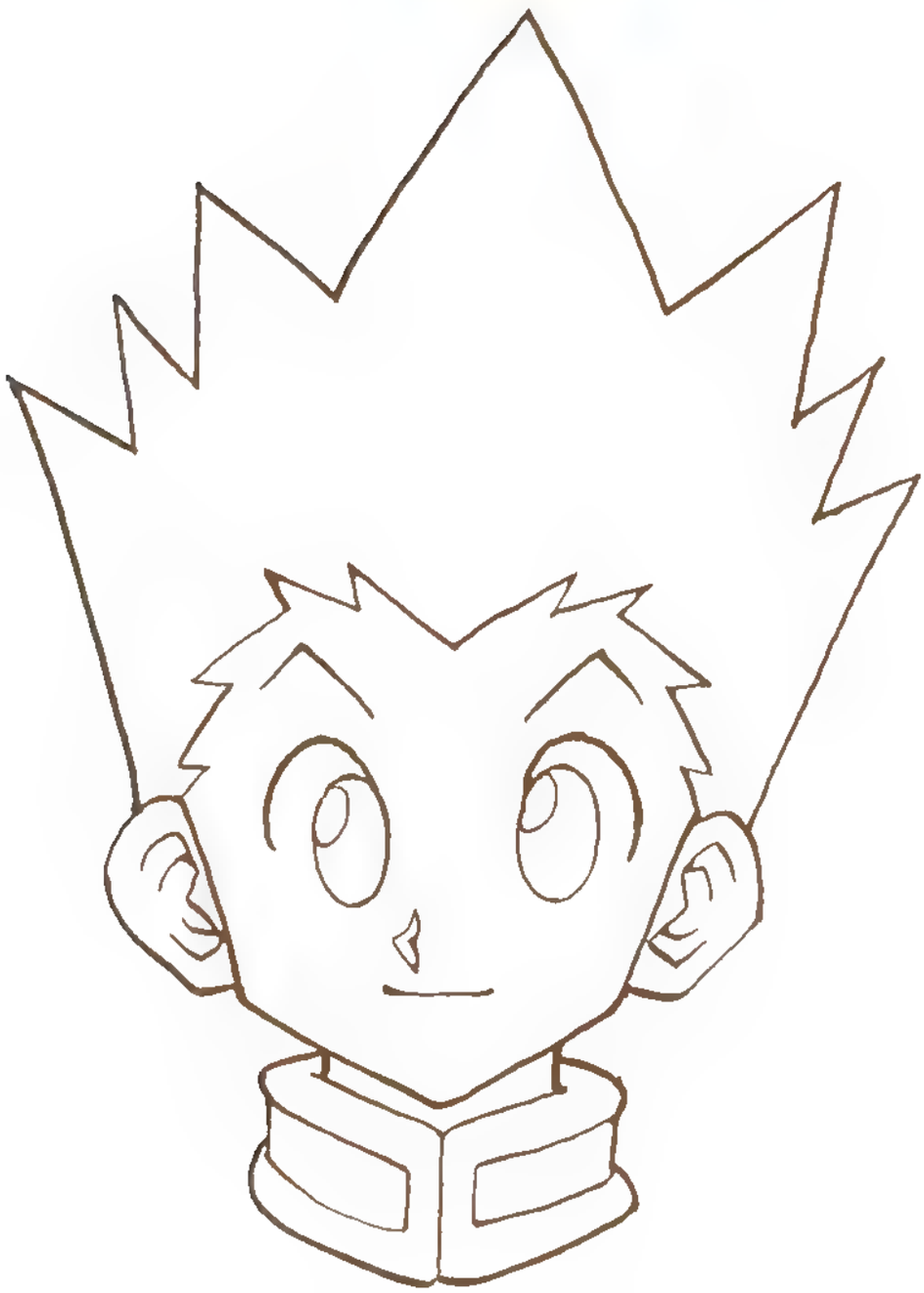

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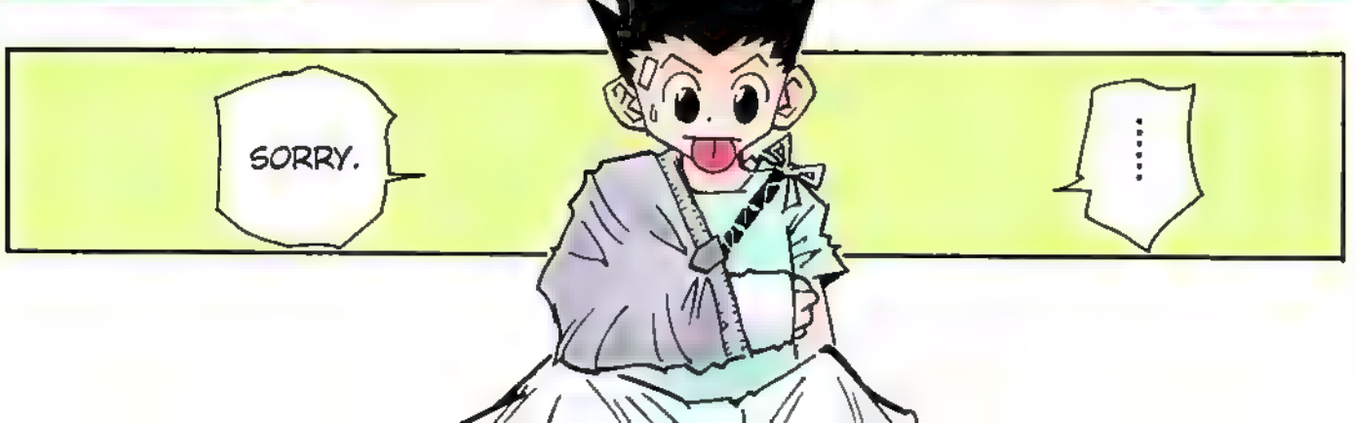
THREE BROKEN RIBS AND 12 OTHER MINOR FRACTURES.
YOUR RIGHT RADIUS AND ULNA WERE BOTH BROKEN. FRACTURE HUMERUS.
YOU MORON!
4 MONTHS FOR THEM TO HEAL.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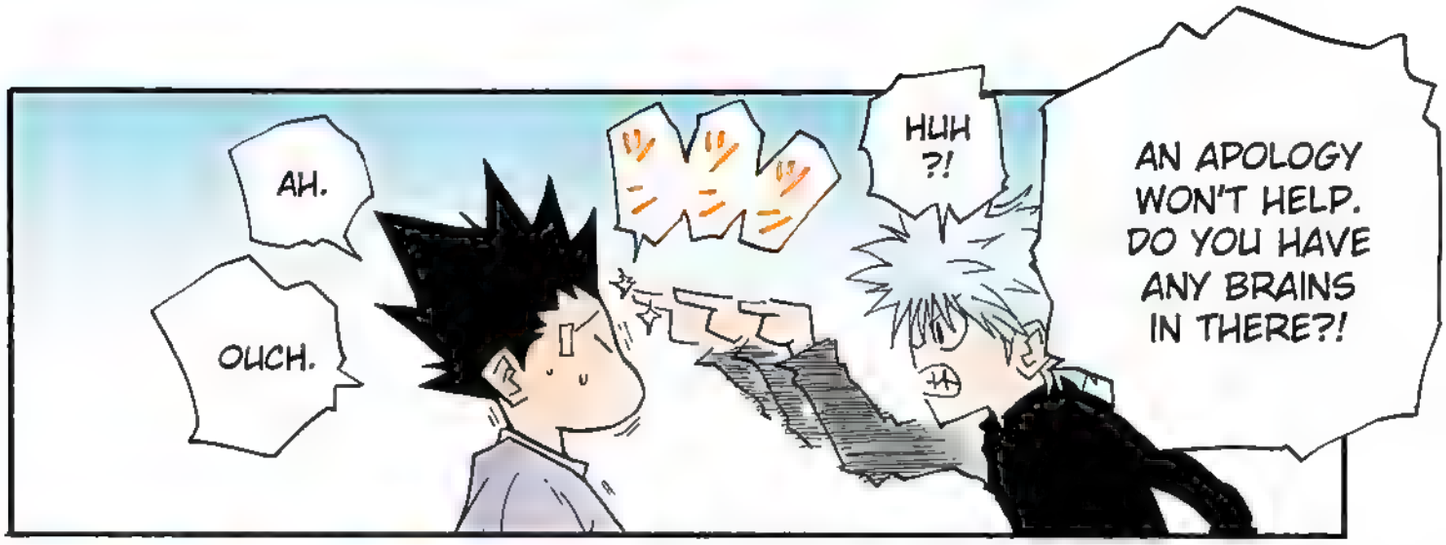
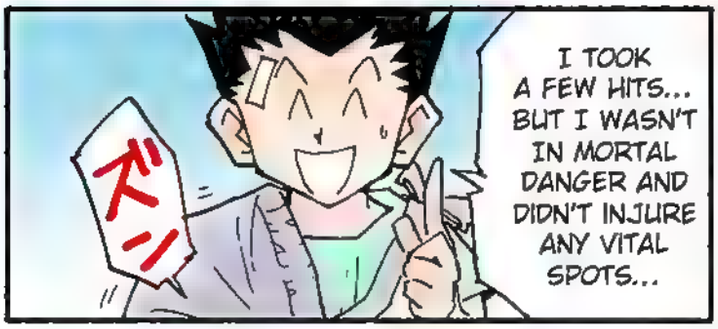

AH.
OUCH.
HUH ?!
AN APOLOGY WON'T HELP. DO YOU HAVE ANY BRAINS IN THERE?!

I HAD A FEELING I'D BE OKAY.
WELL, STILL...
MAN, WHY DO YOU THINK FOUR-EYES WAS TRAINING US?

ONE WRONG MOVE AND YOU COULD'VE ENDED UP LIKE THEM!
DIDN'T YOU SEE WHAT HAPPENED TO THOSE WHO'D GONE THROUGH THE NEN INITIATION?
YOU'RE LUCKY NOT TO BE HURT ANY WORSE.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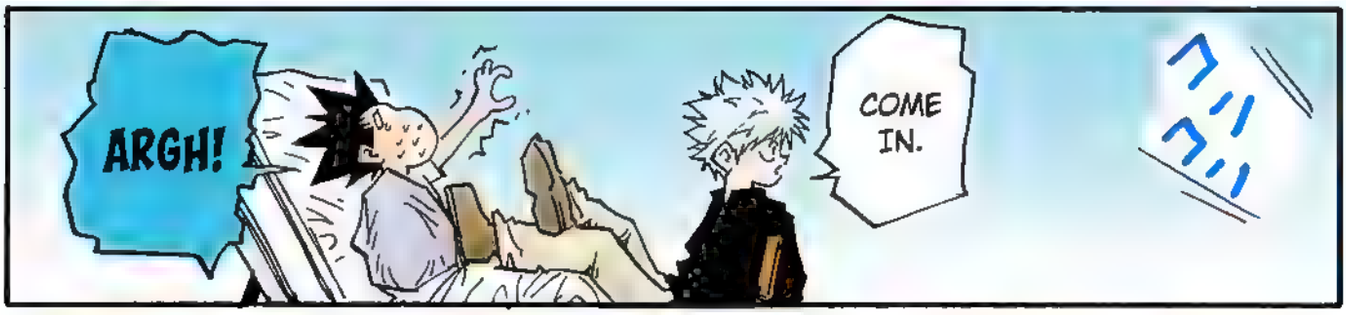
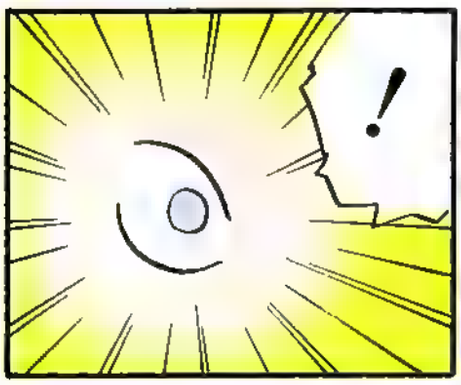
I TOOK A FEW HITS... BUT I WASN'T IN MORTAL DANGER AND DIDN'T INJURE ANY VITAL SPOTS...


ARGH!
COME IN.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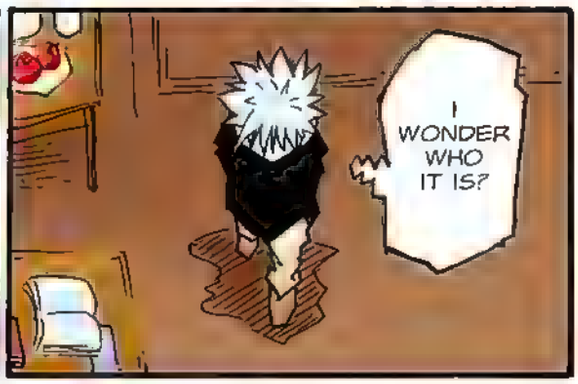
I WONDER WHO IT IS?

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SORRY.
UH...
MR. WING.
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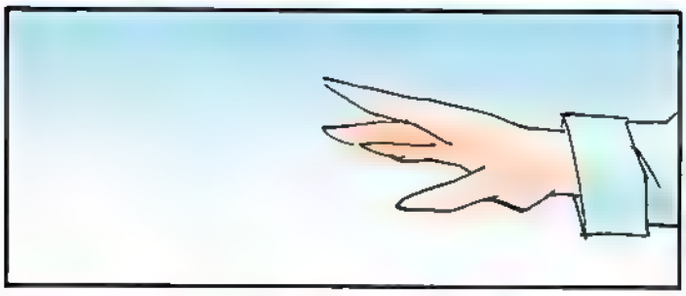
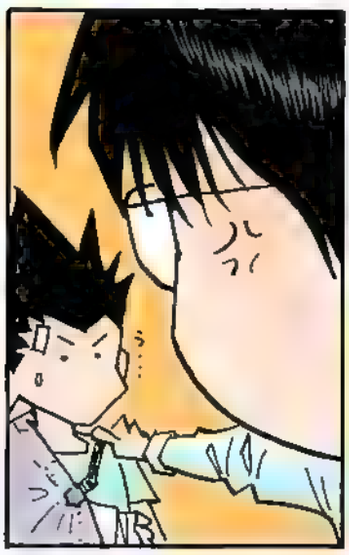
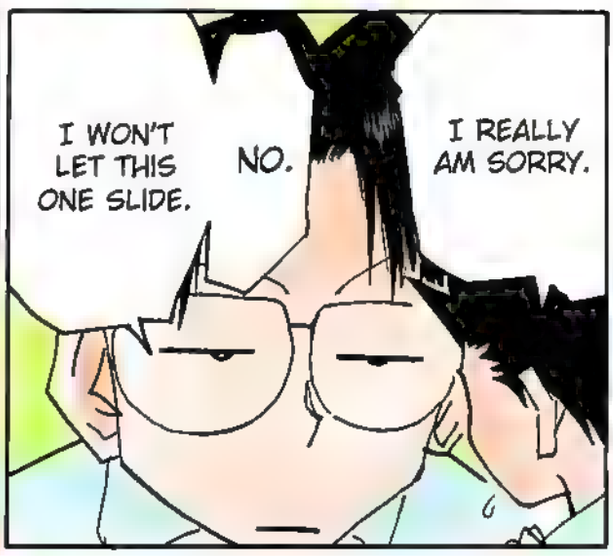
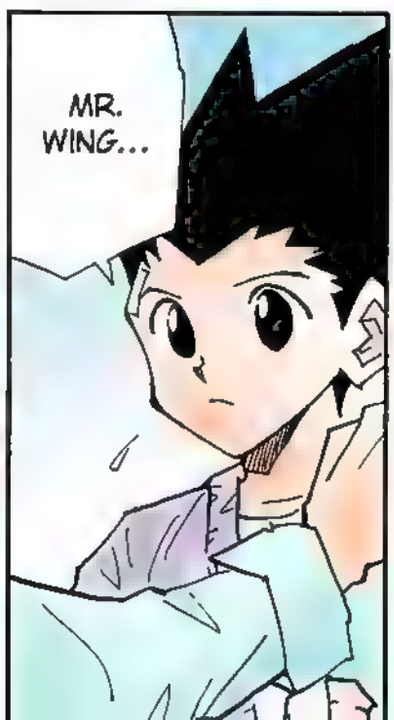
WHAT WERE YOU THINKING ?!

AN APOLOGY WON'T HELP!!



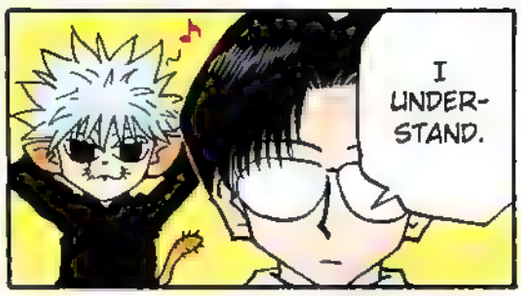


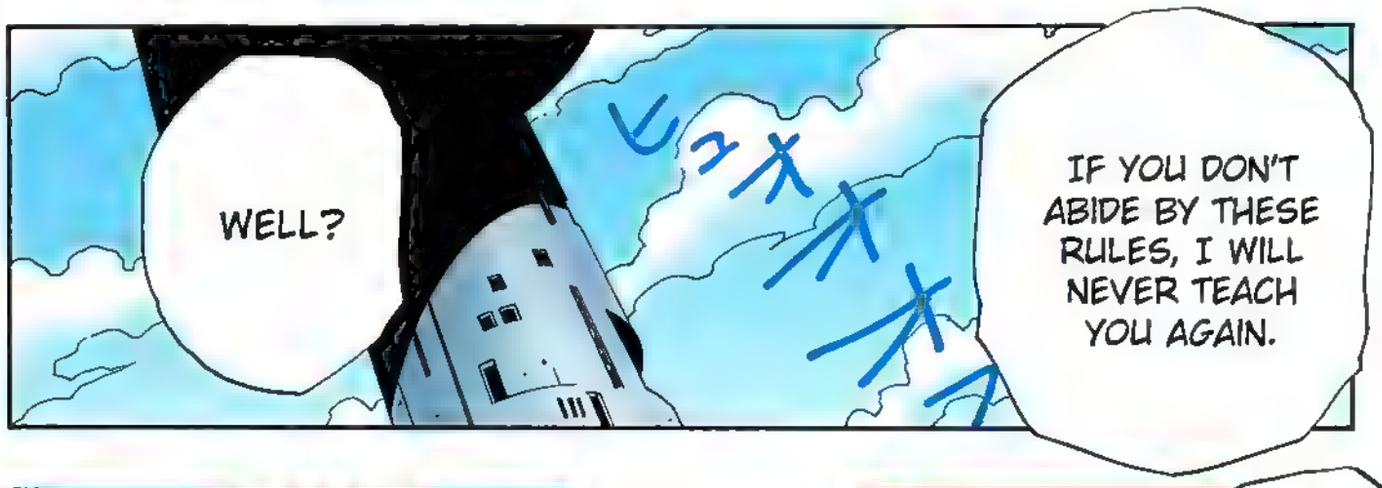


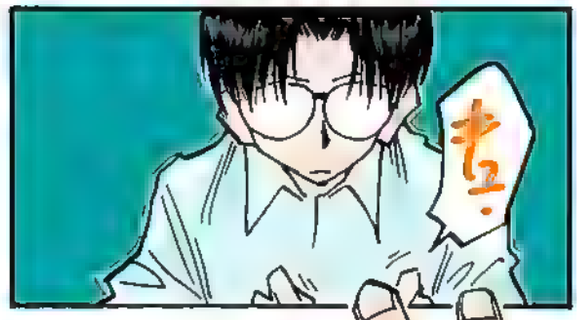


IN THAT CASE, I WON'T ALLOW YOU TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY MATCHES FOR TWO MONTHS!!
I WON'T ALLOW YOU TO TRAIN IN OR STUDY ABOUT NEN!

THE DOCTOR SAID IT WOULD TAKE 2 MONTHS.
KILLUA, DO YOU KNOW WHEN GON WILL RECOVER COMPLETELY?


I UNDER-STAND.

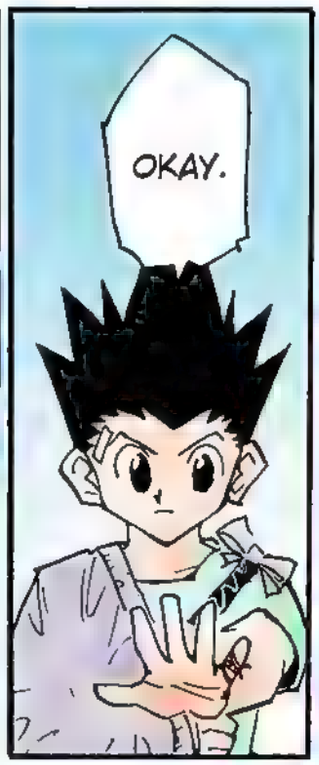

WELL?
IF YOU DON'T ABIDE BY THESE RULES, I WILL NEVER TEACH YOU AGAIN.



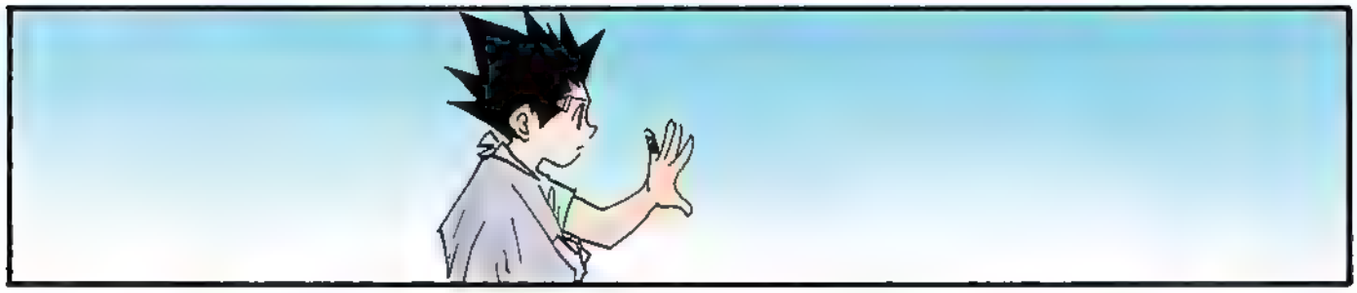
GIVE ME YOUR LEFT HAND.

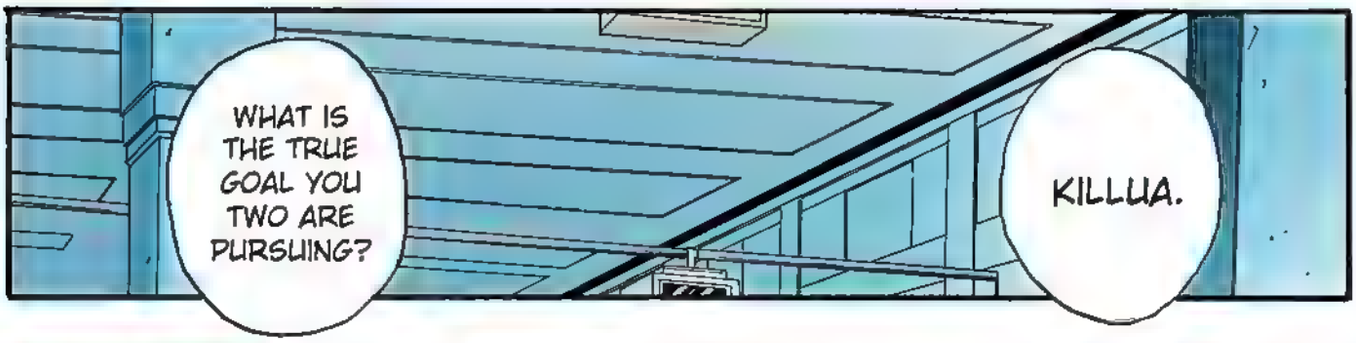
I SWEAR.
I UNDERSTAND! I'LL DO AS YOU SAY.
THANKS, KILLUA.

KILLUA, A MOMENT PLEASE.
HUH?


OKAY.

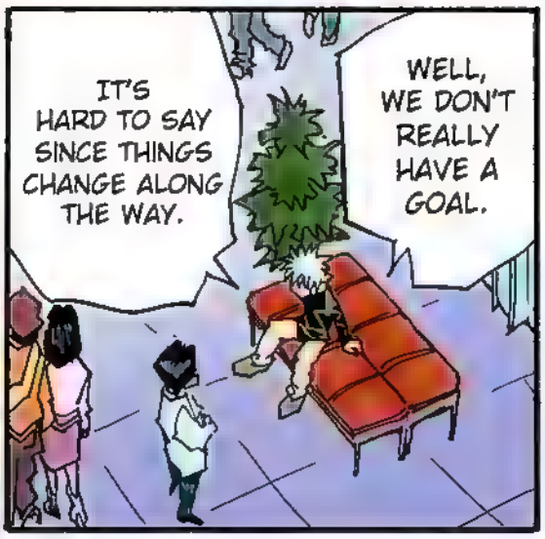
IT'LL BE A REMINDER OF YOUR PROMISE.
THIS IS A PROMISE THREAD.




WHAT IS THE TRUE GOAL YOU TWO ARE PURSUING?
KILLUA.

THAT'S PRETTY MUCH IT.
GON'S HERE TO TRAIN HARD, SO HE CAN DEFEAT A GUY NAMED HISOKA.

BEFORE RUNNING INTO ZUSHI AND YOU, MY PLAN WAS TO EARN SOME QUICK CASH.


IT'S HARD TO SAY SINCE THINGS CHANGE ALONG THE WAY.
WELL, WE DON'T REALLY HAVE A GOAL.

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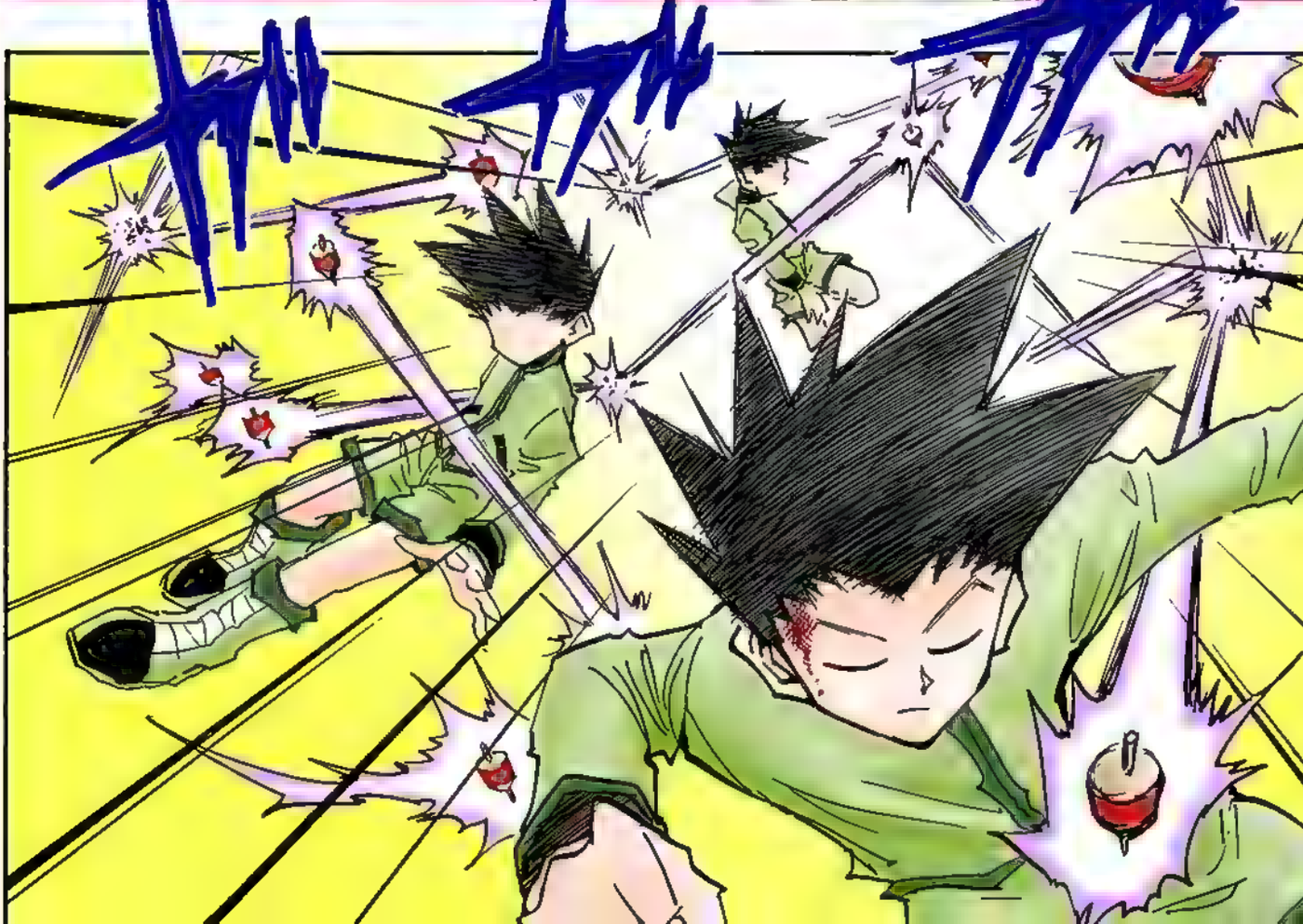
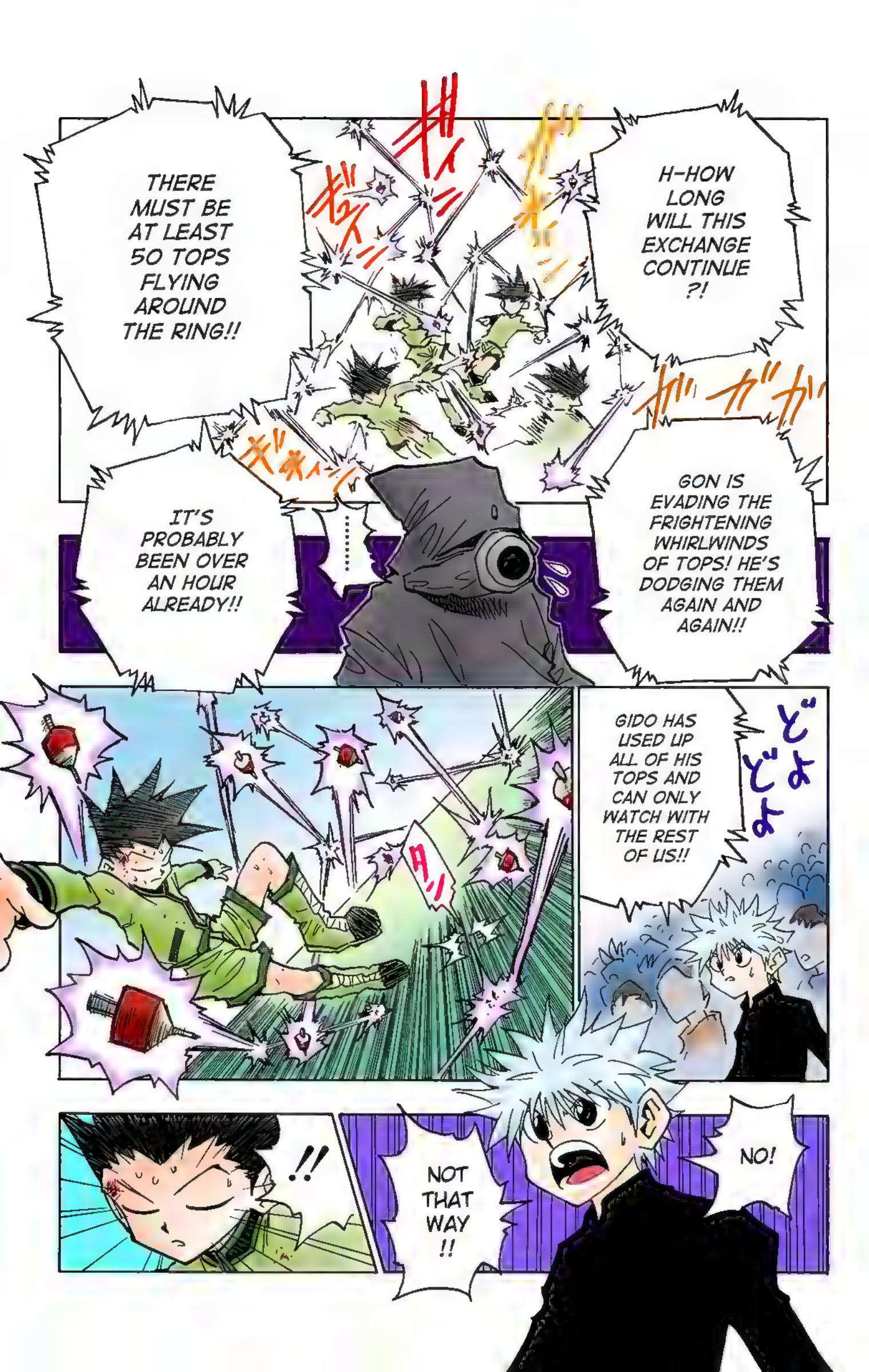
OH... BUT GON IS... WELL, I'M NOT SURE.

BATTLE OLYMPIA, WAS IT? I'M NOT INTERESTED.
LOOKS LIKE THE OTHERS ON THE 200TH FLOOR WANT TO REACH THE TOP FLOOR AS WELL.

BUT AFTER SEEING HIS MATCH YESTERDAY...
HE SAID THAT HE ONLY WANTS TO FIGHT HISOKA.

I HAVE A FEELING HE ENJOYS THE THRILLS.




THERE MUST BE AT LEAST 50 TOPS FLYING AROUND THE RING!!
H-HOW LONG WILL THIS EXCHANGE CONTINUE ?!
IT'S PROBABLY BEEN OVER AN HOUR ALREADY!!
GON IS EVADING THE FRIGHTENING WHIRLWINDS OF TOPS! HE'S DODGING THEM AGAIN AND AGAIN!!
GIDO HAS USED UP ALL OF HIS TOPS AND CAN ONLY WATCH WITH THE REST OF US!!
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!!
NOT THAT WAY !!
NO!

GHH!
THERE'S NOWHERE ELSE TO RUN...!!

ONCE HE'S IN THE ZONE, HE LOSES SIGHT OF EVERYTHING ELSE.
ALTHOUGH I TAKE CIRCUM-STANCES INTO CONSI-DERATION, TOO.
BUT HE ISN'T THE TYPE TO BREAK A PROMISE TWICE, SO YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY!
OH!
...COST HIM HIS LIFE...?
HE WAS ENJOYING A SITUATION THAT COULD HAVE...
I KNOW BECAUSE I'VE FELT THE SAME WAY.
YEAH.
PERHAPS I'VE...
...ALREADY KNOW THE FACTS.
BECAUSE GON AND I...
IT'S ...
TOO LATE.
.....

MY BROTHER AND HISOKA CAN BOTH USE NEN.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO FEEL RESPONSIBLE.
SO GON AND I WERE BOUND TO DISCOVER IT EVENTUALLY.

IF YOU REGRET TEACHING US AND DECIDE TO BACK OUT...
...WE'LL FIND SOMEONE ELSE, OR WE'LL LEARN IT OURSELVES.
LOOK IT'S KILLUA-W

I UNDER-STAND.
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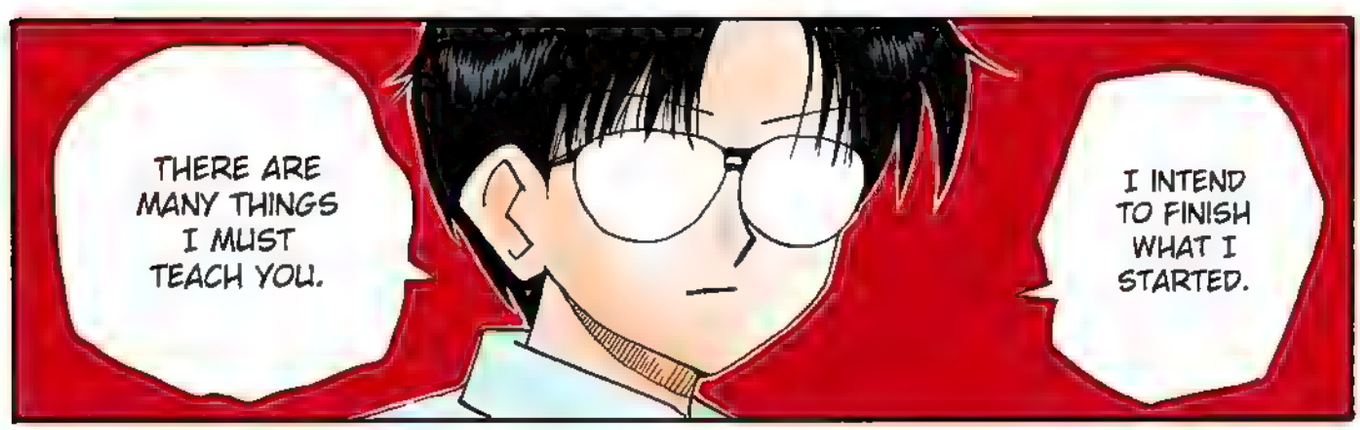
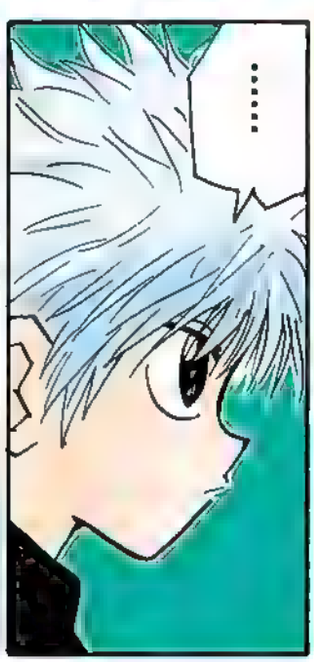

THERE ARE MANY THINGS I MUST TEACH YOU.
I INTEND TO FINISH WHAT I STARTED.

HUH?
NAH, I'LL PASS.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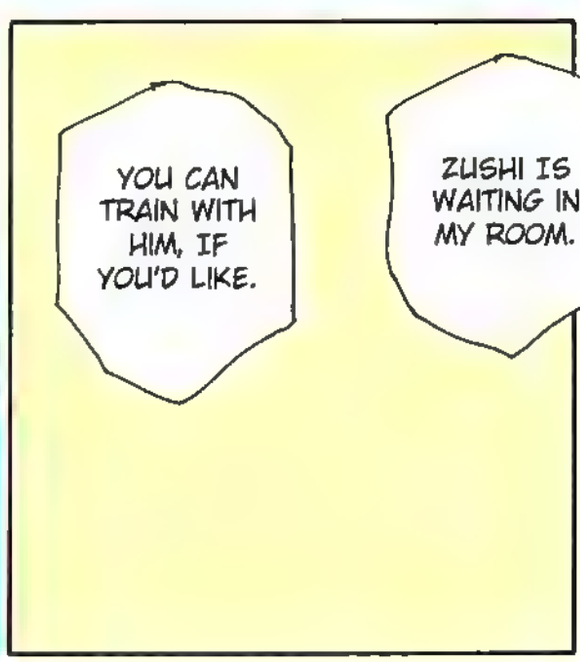
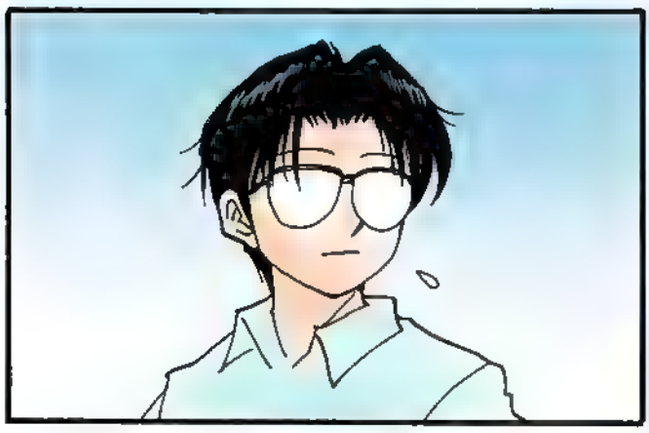
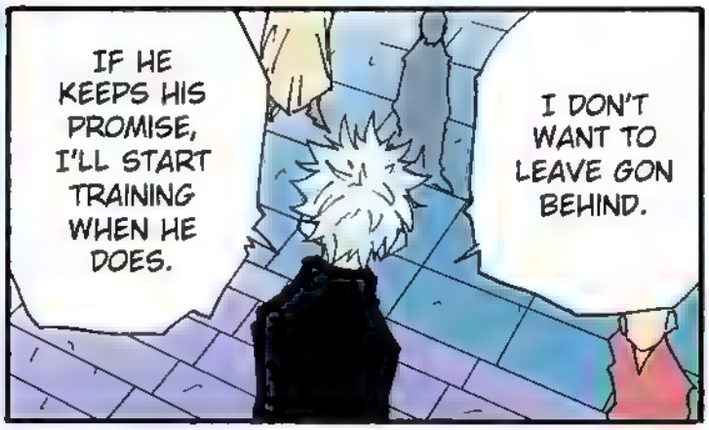
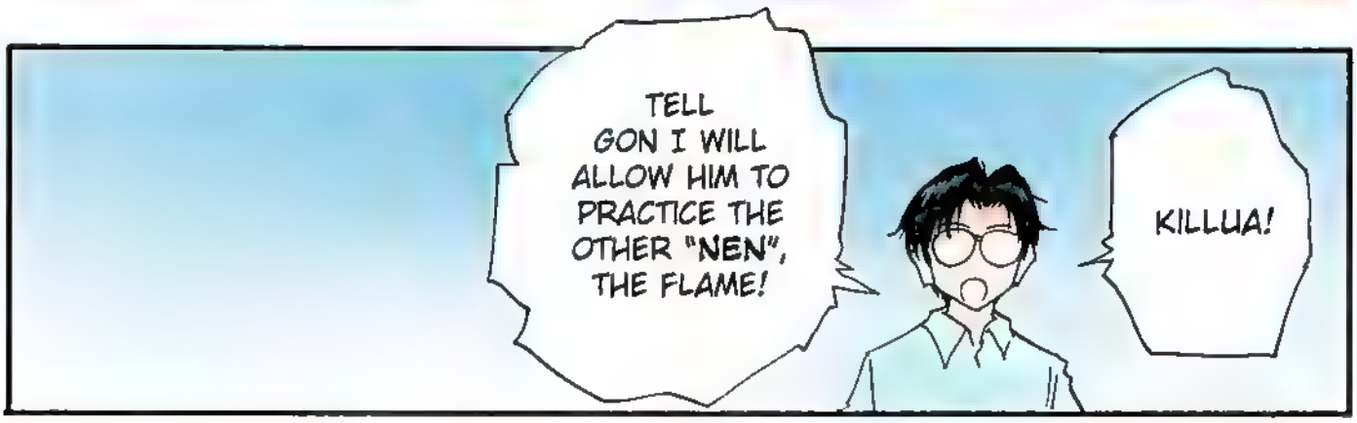
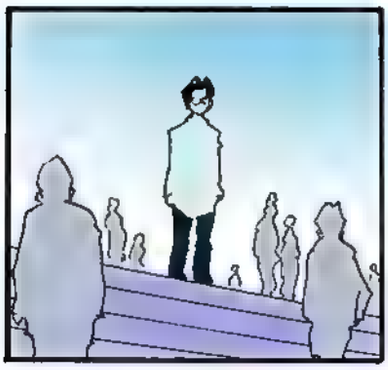
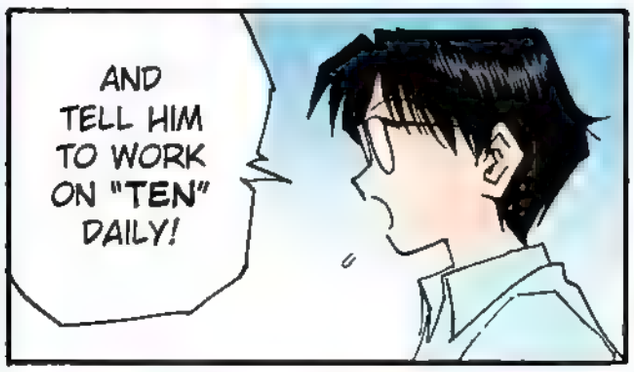

YOU CAN TRAIN WITH HIM, IF YOU'D LIKE.
ZUSHI IS WAITING IN MY ROOM.

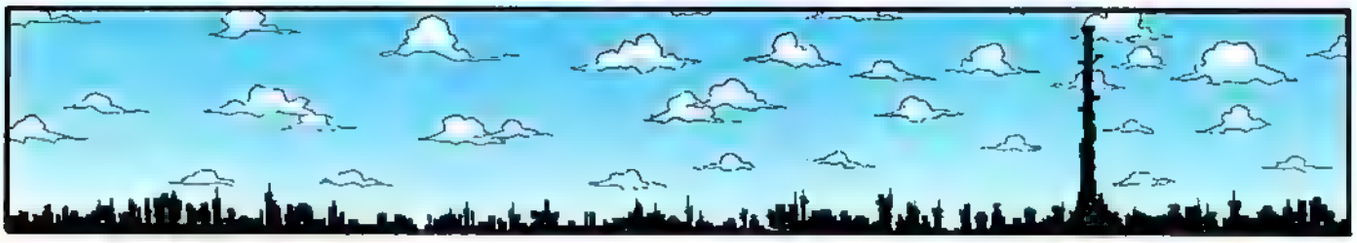


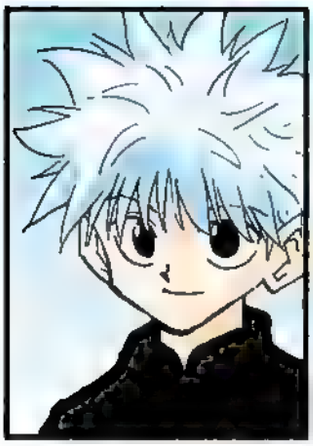

IF HE KEEPS HIS PROMISE, I'LL START TRAINING WHEN HE DOES.
I DON'T WANT TO LEAVE GON BEHIND.

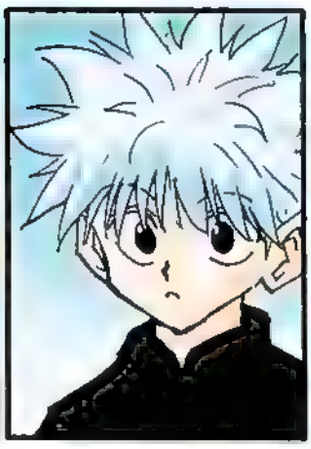

TELL GON I WILL ALLOW HIM TO PRACTICE THE OTHER "NEN", THE FLAME!
KILLUA!




AND TELL HIM TO WORK ON "TEN" DAILY!







HEY, GON.
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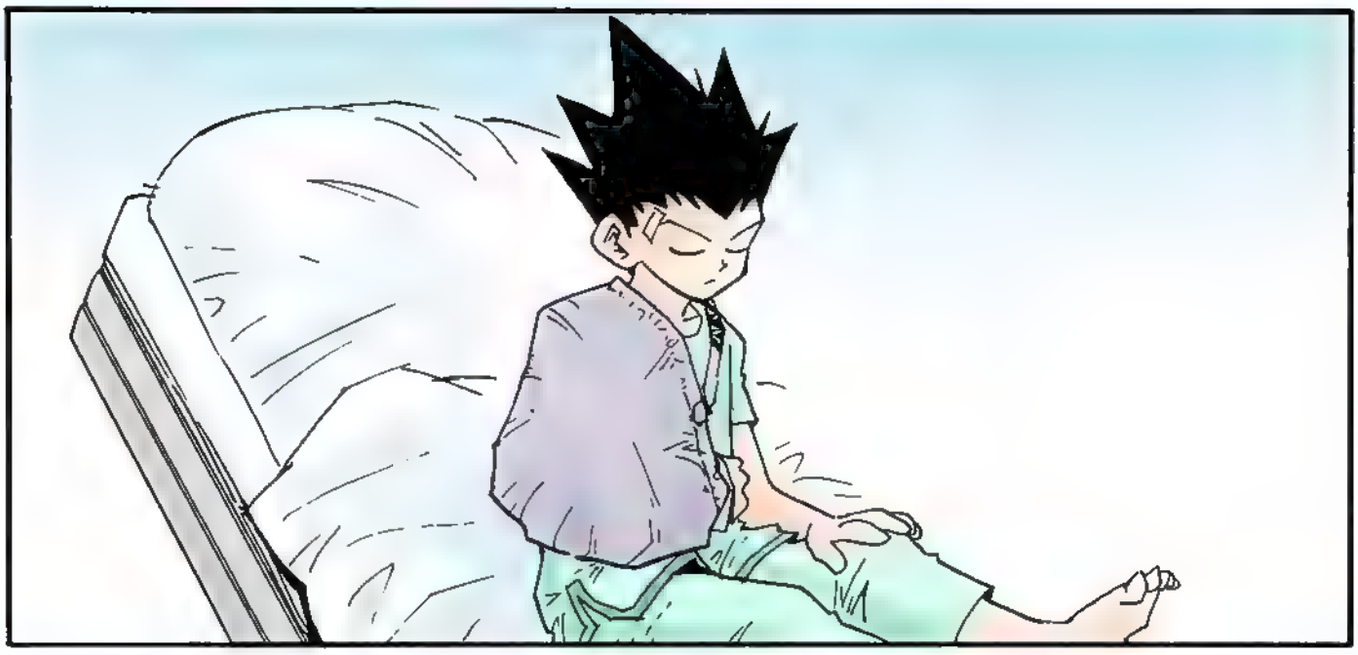
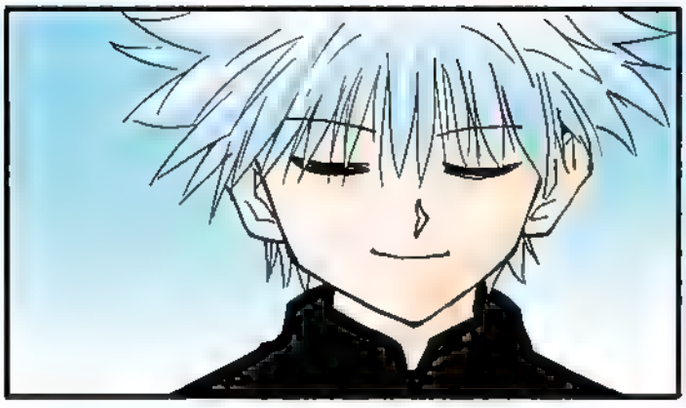
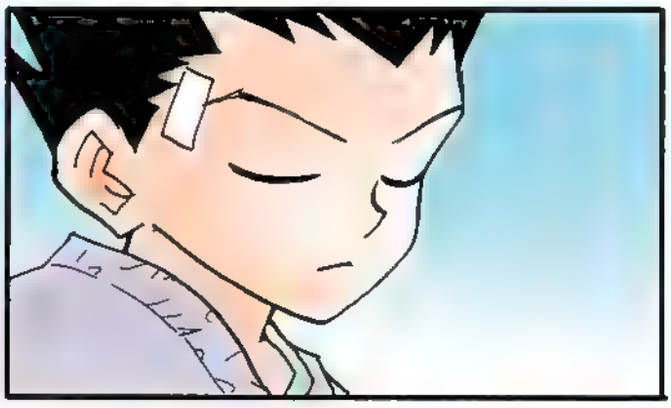
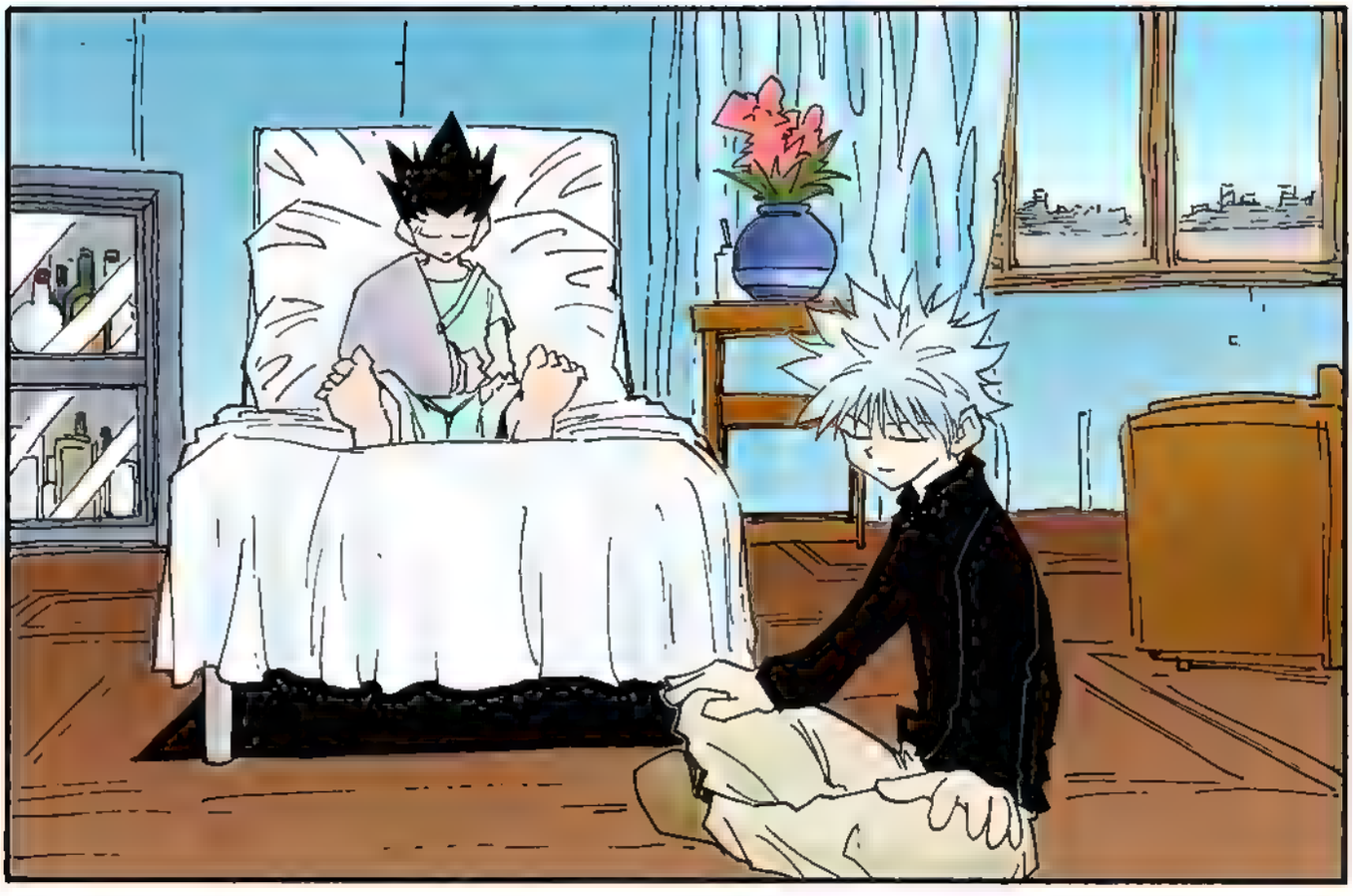
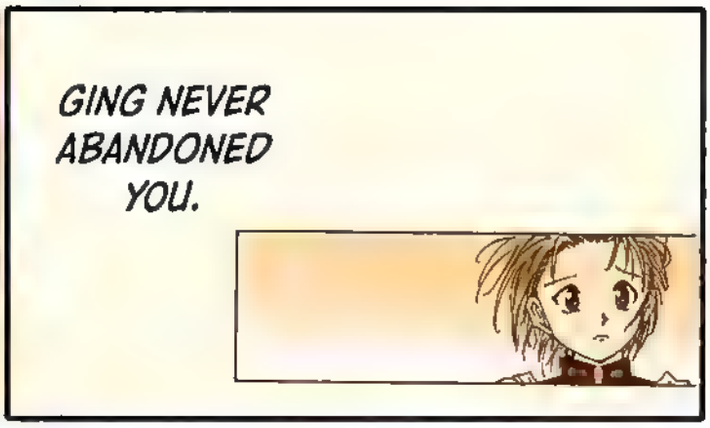




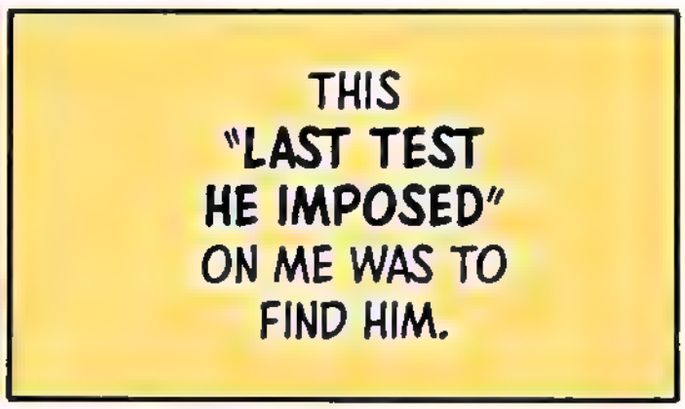




HE'S THE BEST HUNTER I KNOW.

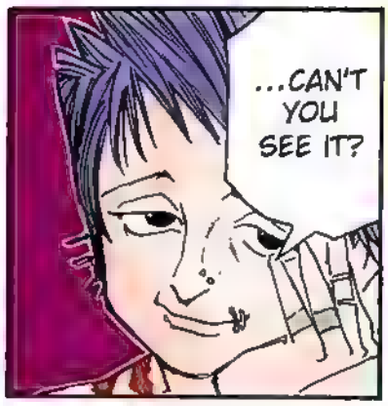

GING NEVER ABANDONED YOU.

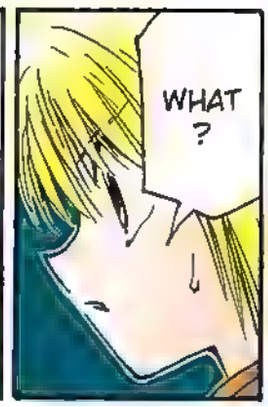
THIS'LL BE MUCH HARDER THAN ANY OTHER HUNT.


THIS "LAST TEST HE IMPOSED" ON ME WAS TO FIND HIM.

GON!

WHAT'S GOING ON?!
YOU FOUND THE AGENCY ON YOUR OWN, SO YOU MUST BE SHARP.
BUT I CAN'T INTRODUCE YOU TO OUR VALUED CLIENTS.
BUT IT ISN'T EXPERIENCE ALONE THAT YOU LACK.
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?!
I SAID THAT I HAVE A HUNTER LICENSE!
IT'S NOT YOUR LACK OF EXPERIENCE.
SOME CLIENTS DON'T MIND THAT.


...CAN'T YOU SEE IT?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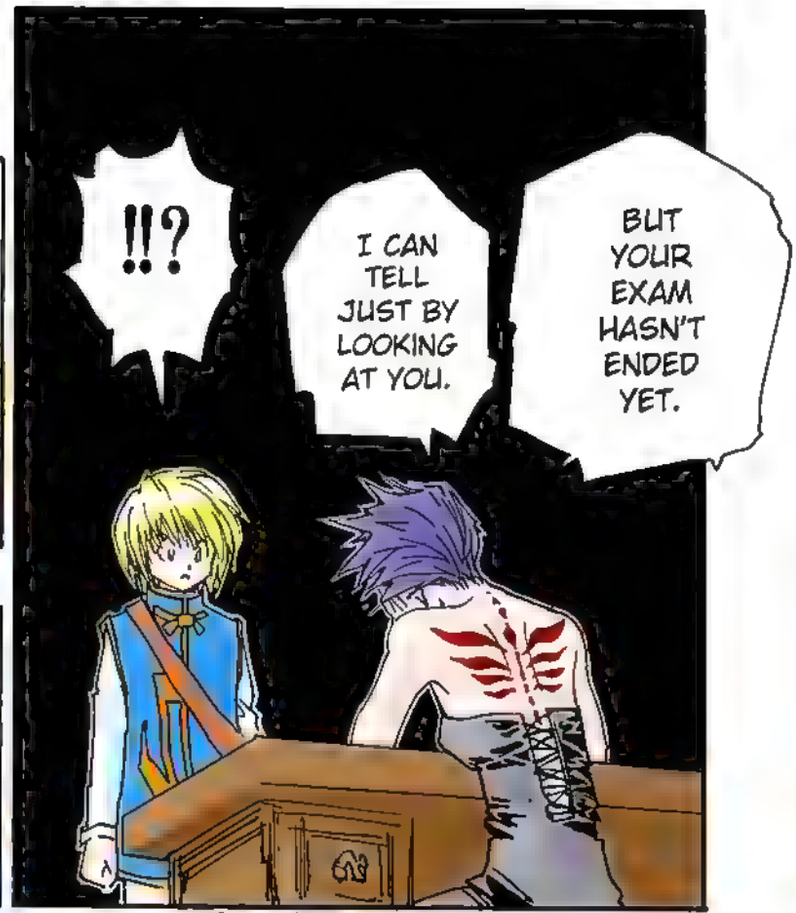
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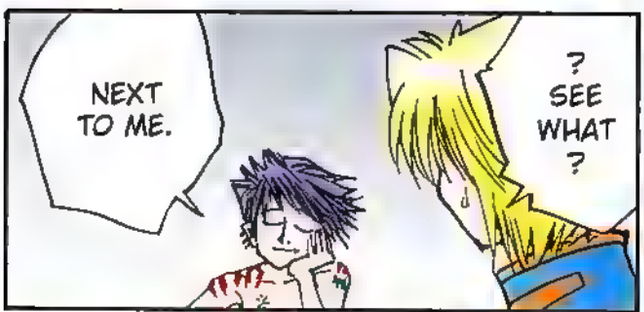
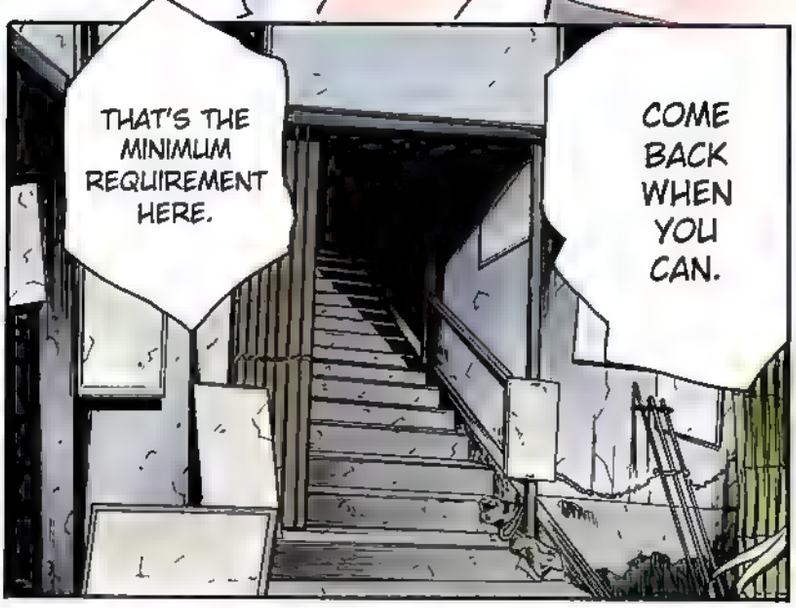
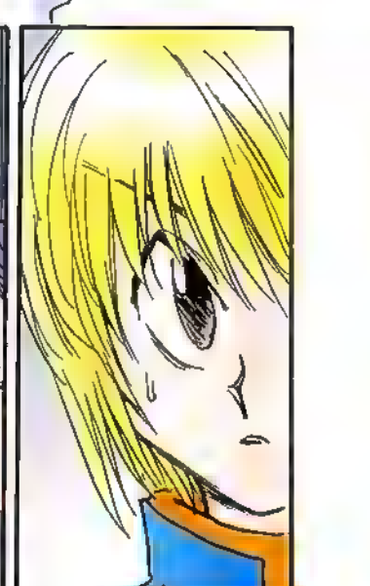
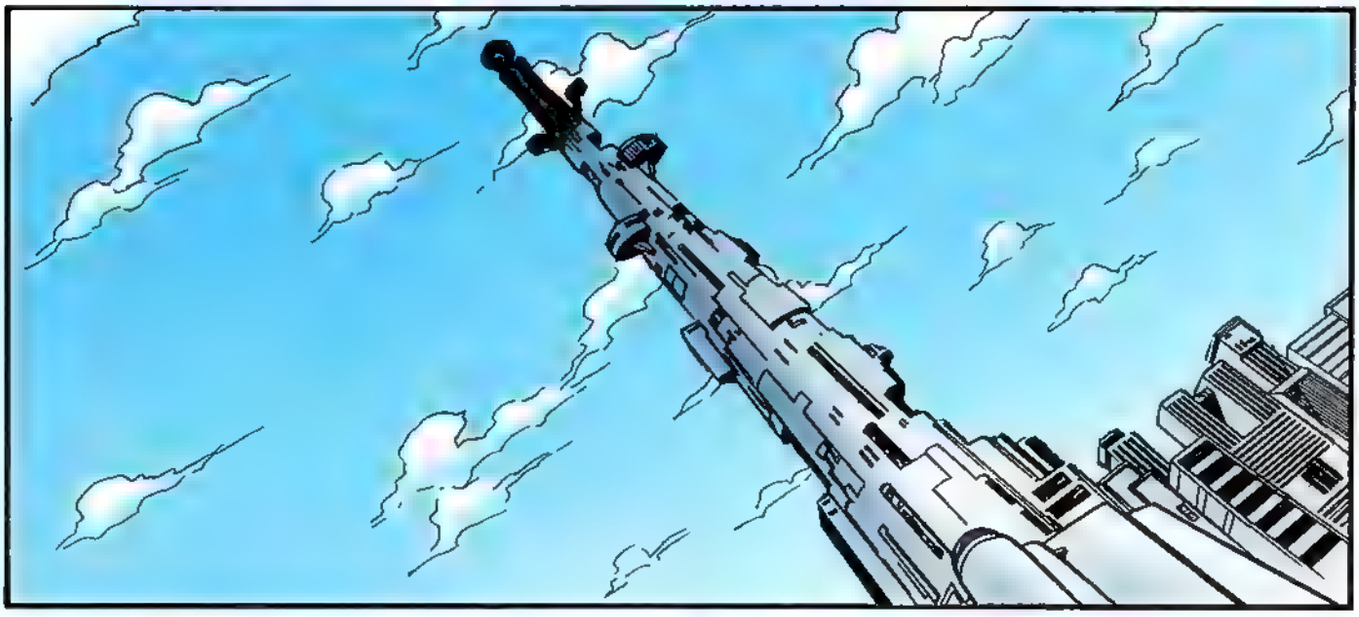
I CAN TELL JUST BY LOOKING AT YOU.
BUT YOUR EXAM HASN'T ENDED YET.


NEXT TO ME.
? SEE WHAT ?

YOU CAN'T SEE A THING, RIGHT?


THAT'S THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENT HERE.
COME BACK WHEN YOU CAN.





I THINK I MAY HAVE CREATED A TERRIBLE MONSTER.

COLOR HISOKA

No.052 ◆

KASTRO

AH! KILLUA.

I WAS ABOUT TO VISIT YOU...

AND YOUR INJURIES...?

GON...

Hop!

Hop!

I THINK I'M TOTALLY HEALED!

PERFECT!

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Hop!

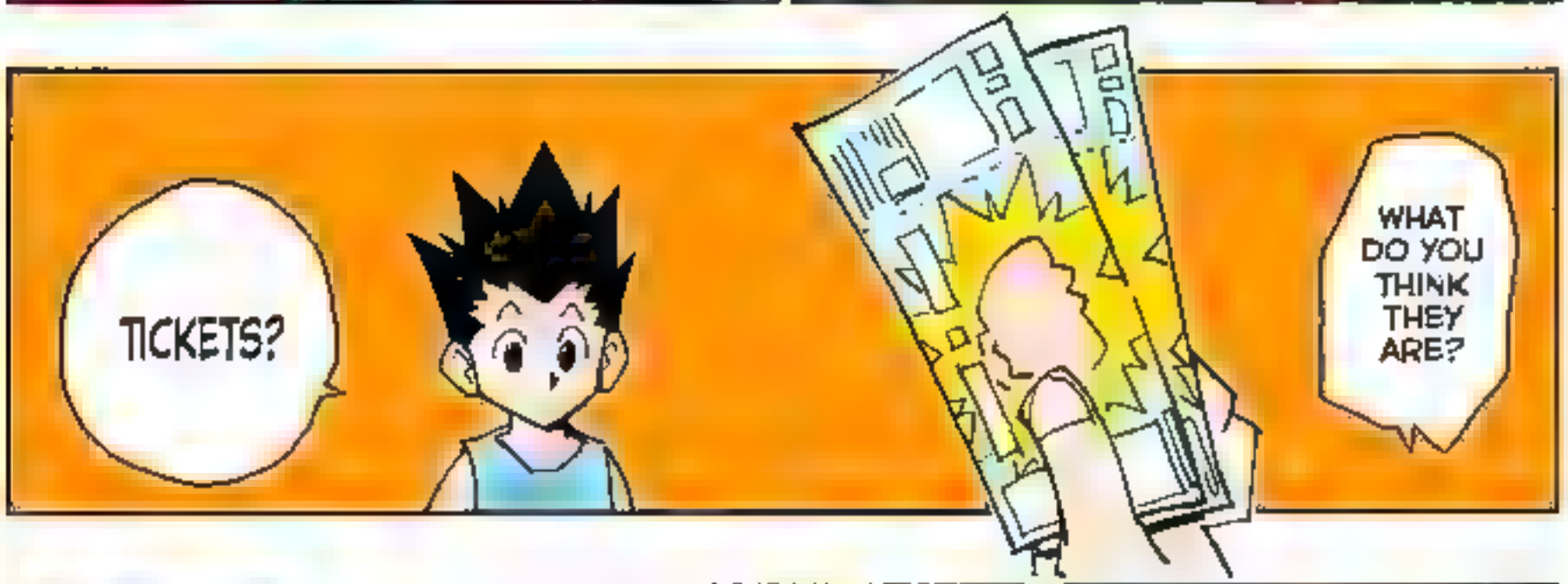
FFF FFF!

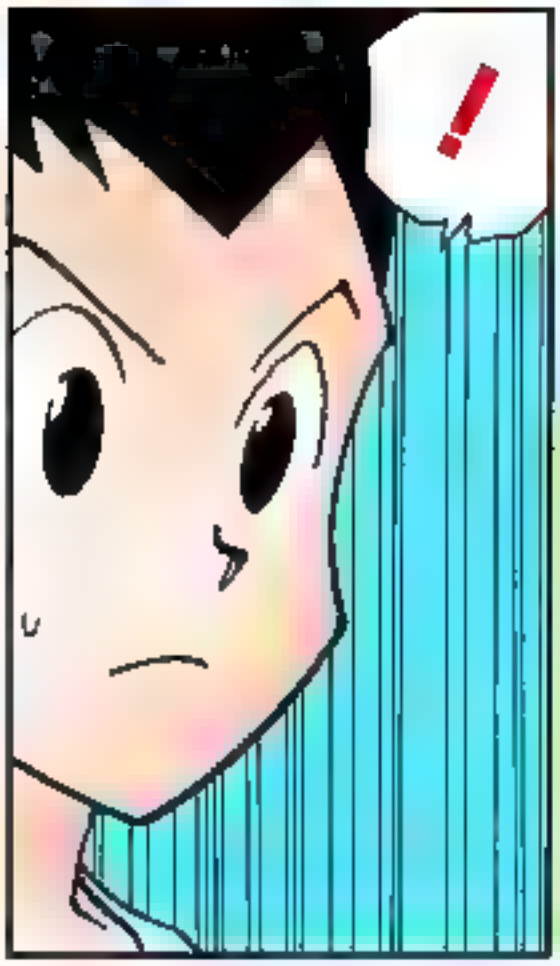
HE...

HE RECOVERED IN ONE MONTH WHILE HIS INJURIES SHOULD HAVE NEEDED FOUR MONTHS TO HEAL.

OH YEAH ...
FOR THIS.
BY THE WAY, WHY DID YOU COME?

SPEAK FOR YOURSELF!
WHAT MATTER ARE YOU MADE OF?
YOU'RE REALLY WEIRD!


TICKETS?
WHAT DO YOU THINK THEY ARE?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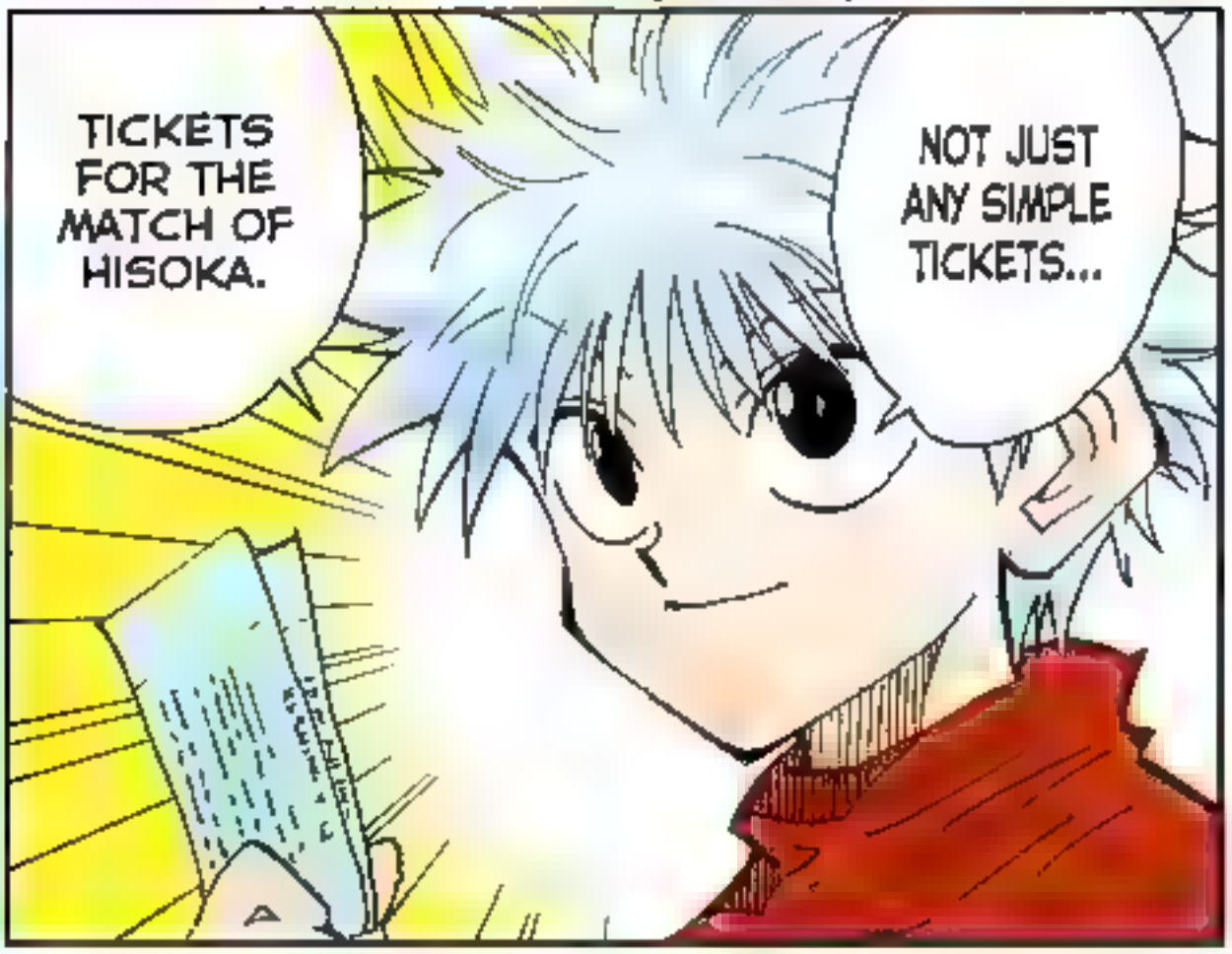
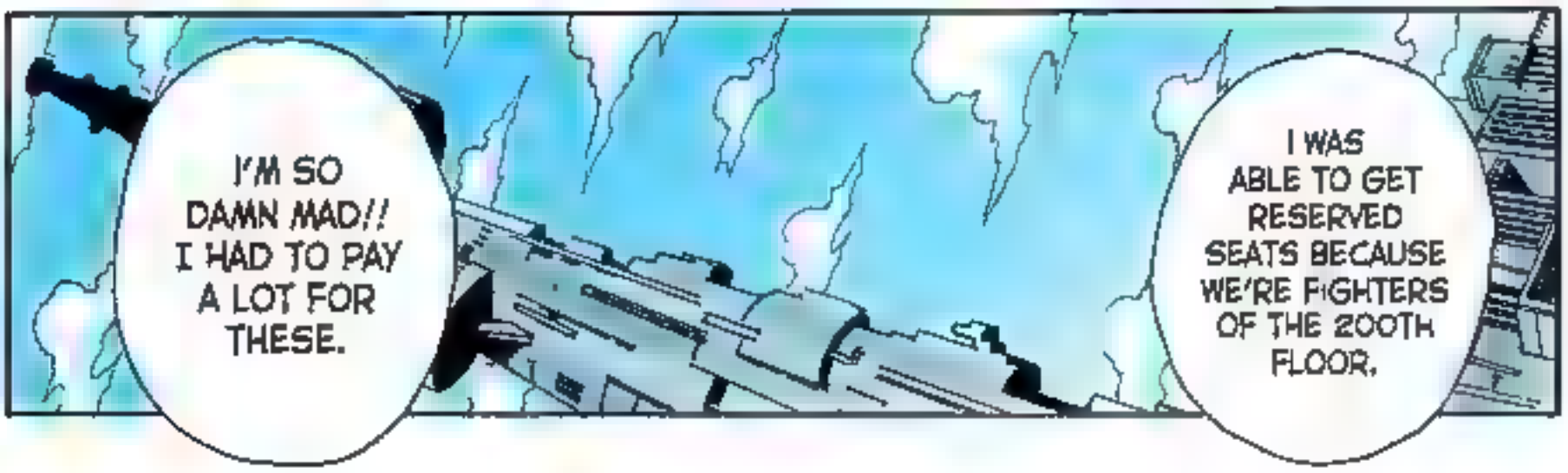
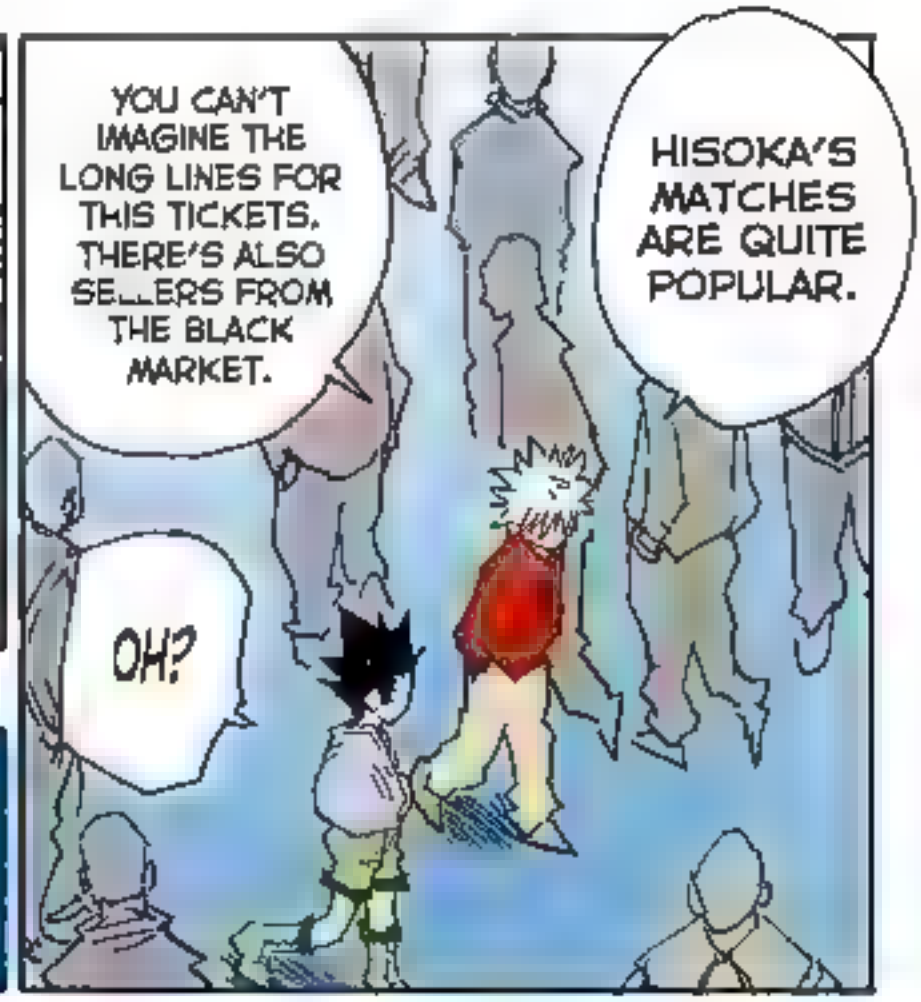
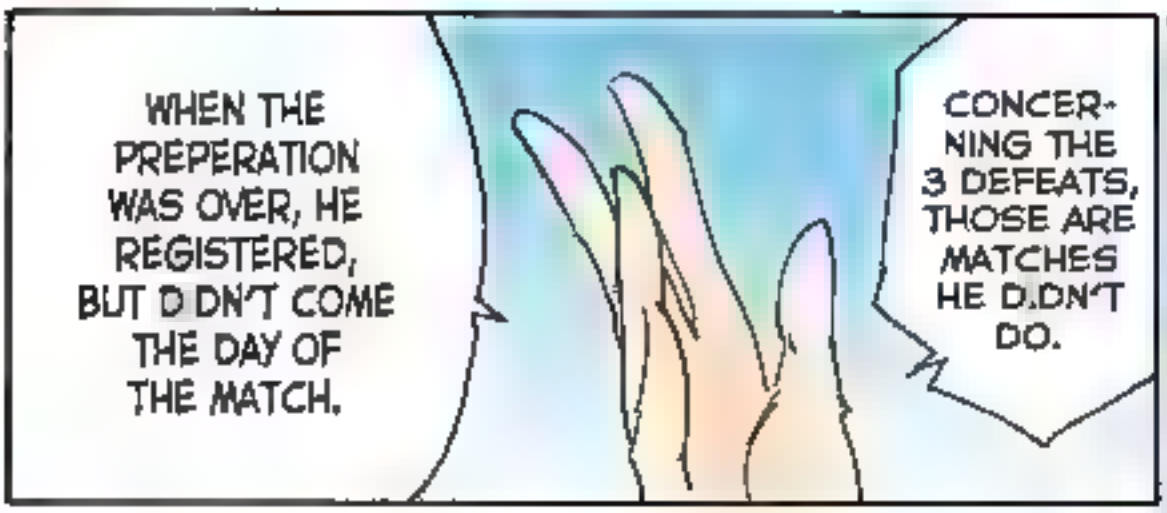

TICKETS FOR THE MATCH OF HISOKA.
NOT JUST ANY SIMPLE TICKETS...

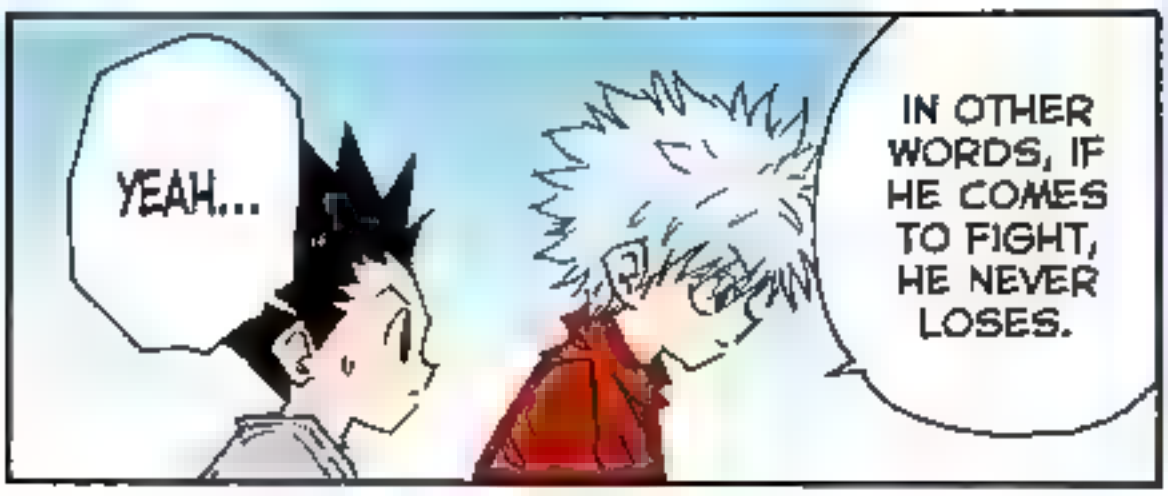

I'M SO DAMN MAD!! I HAD TO PAY A LOT FOR THESE.
I WAS ABLE TO GET RESERVED SEATS BECAUSE WE'RE FIGHTERS OF THE 200TH FLOOR.

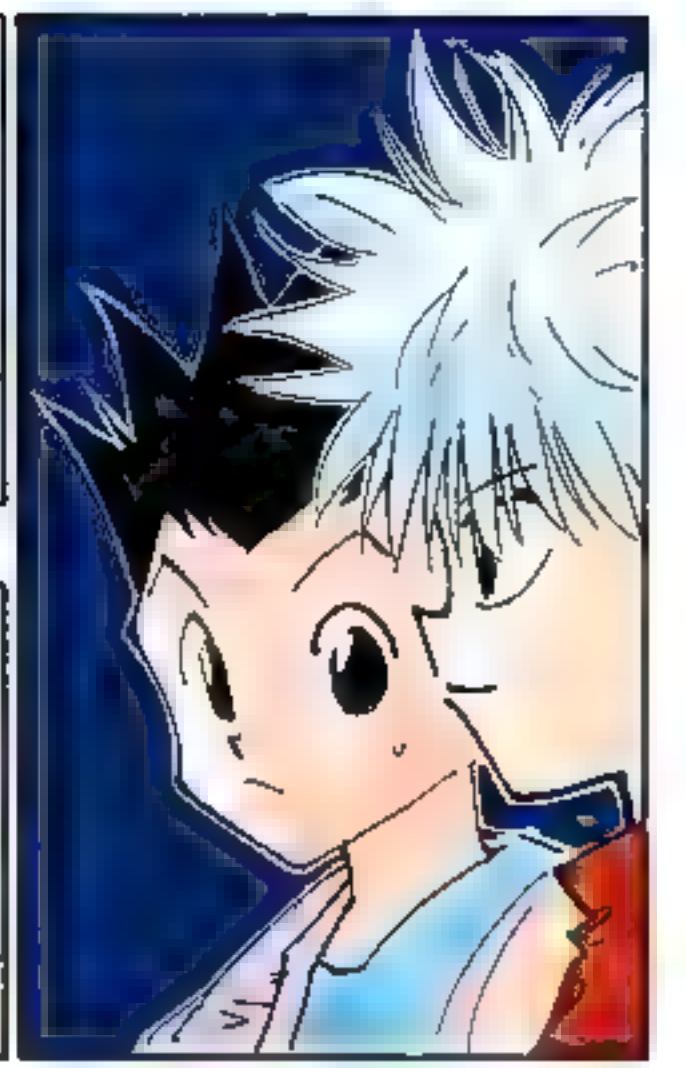
IT'S OBVIOUS HE'S NOT A NORMAL GUY.
MORE IMPORTANTLY, THEY TOLD ME A LOT OF THINGS ABOUT HISOKA.


YOU CAN'T IMAGINE THE LONG LINES FOR THIS TICKETS. THERE'S ALSO SELLERS FROM THE BLACK MARKET.
HISOKA'S MATCHES ARE QUITE POPULAR.
OH?

FOR HIM, A K.O. MEANS "DEATH."
8 VICTORIES, 6 OF WHICH ARE K.O., AND THREE DEFEATS.


WHEN THE PREPERATION WAS OVER, HE REGISTERED, BUT D DN'T COME THE DAY OF THE MATCH.
CONCERNING THE 3 DEFEATS, THOSE ARE MATCHES HE D.DN'T DO.


YEAH...
IN OTHER WORDS, IF HE COMES TO FIGHT, HE NEVER LOSES.



PEOPLE SAY HE MIGHT HAVE THE STRENGHT OF A FLOOR MASTER.

1 DOWN AND ONLY 3 CLEAN HITS.

OOHH...

DAMN.

YES?

THERE 5 MORE?

Plus...

OVER 11 MATCHES, HE'S ONLY LOST 4 POINTS.

HIS OPPONENT IS CALLED KASTRO.

PUT MORE CONVICTION INTO YOUR WORDS... YOUR FACE BETRAYES YOU.

PFF.

OF THE 4 POINTS HE'S LOST, 3 WERE BECAUSE OF THIS KASTRO GUY.

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HE'S THE ONLY GUY WHO GOT A DOWN ON HISOKA.

BECAUSE WE'LL SEE HIM FIGHT RIGHT NOW.

THERE YOU'LL BE ABLE TO ANALYZE HIS TECHNIQUES.

THEY MIGHT HAVE AGREED ON THE DATE OF THE FIGHT TOGETHER.

I WAS TOLD IT'LL BE THEIR FATAL CONFRON-TATION.

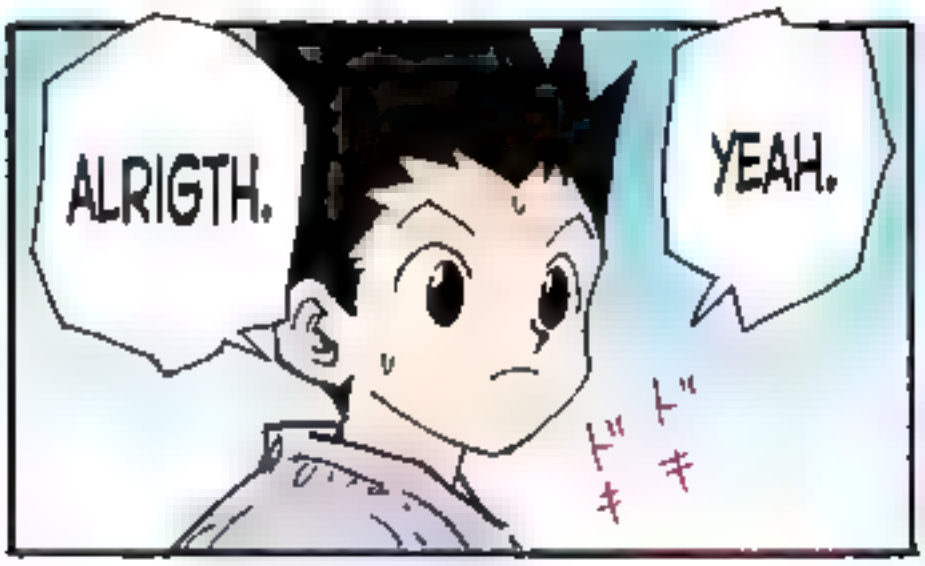
YEAH.

YOU'LL ONLY WATCH THE MATCH!

THERE ISN'T ANY PROBLEM, IT'S OBVIOUS!

BUT...WHAT ABOUT THE PROMISE TO WING?

NO WAY!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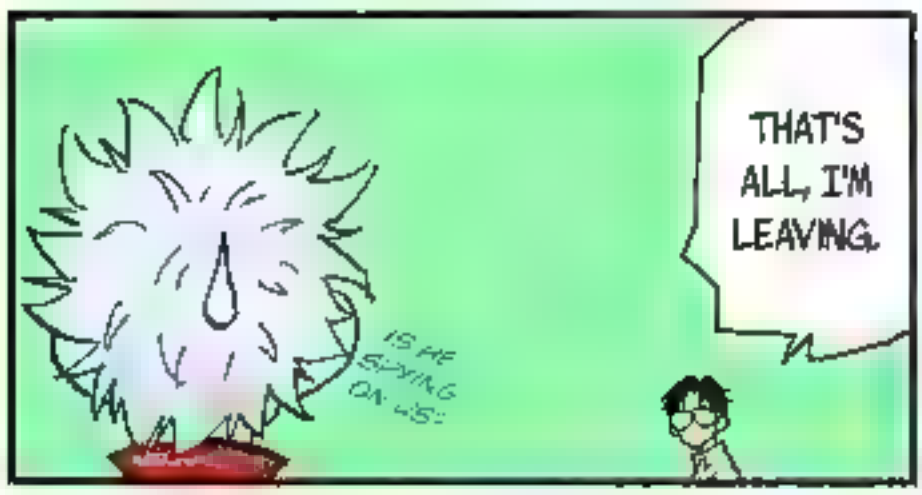
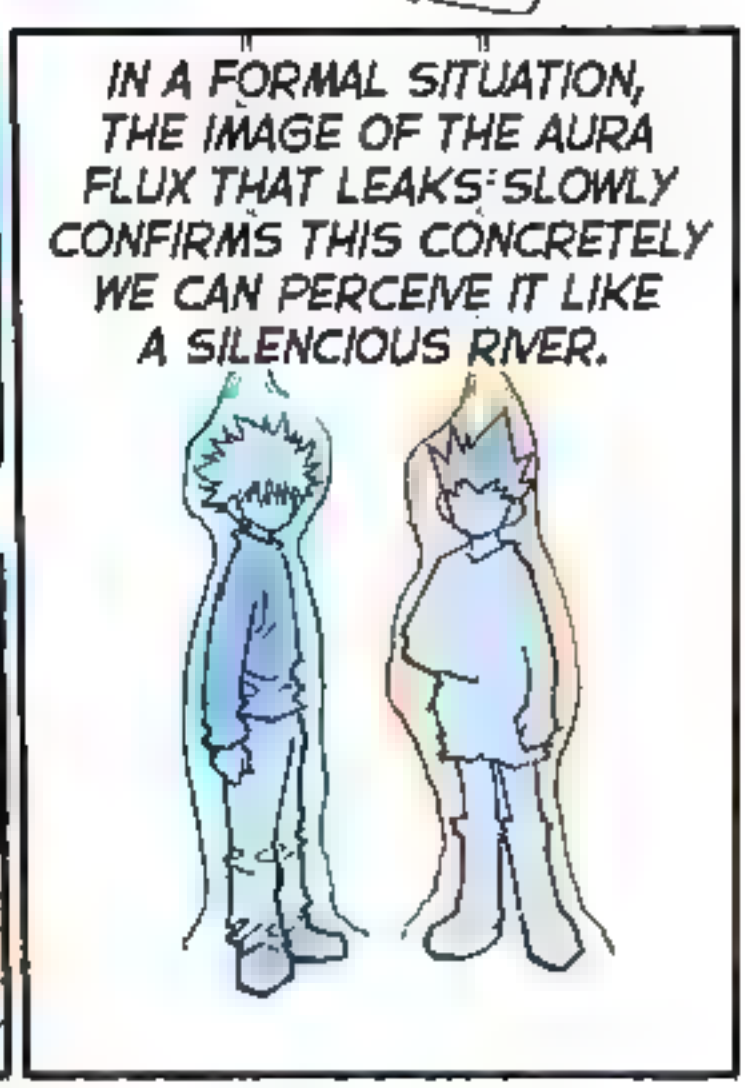
WATCHING A MATCH IS ALSO ANOTHER WAY TO LEARN ABOUT NEN.
YOU HAVE ONLY ONE MONTH OF CONVALESCENCS REMAINING. DON'T WASTE EVEYTHING.


THAT'S ALL, I'M LEAVING.
IS HE SPYING ON US?

AND THEY ONLY EXERCISE TEN EVERY DAY.
IT SEEMS THEY RESPECT WHAT I'VE SAID TO THEM...


IN A FORMAL SITUATION, THE IMAGE OF THE AURA FLUX THAT LEAKS SLOWLY CONFIRMS THIS CONCRETELY WE CAN PERCEIVE IT LIKE A SILENCIOUS RIVER.

I WONDER IF I'M NOT MORE DISTURBED THAN THEM...
DAMN!

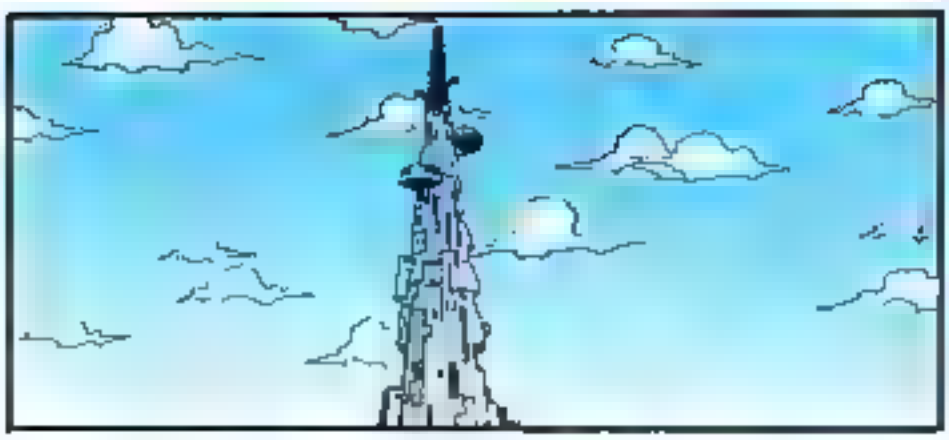
AND HE'S A MILLIONAIRE ...LISTEN TO HIM...

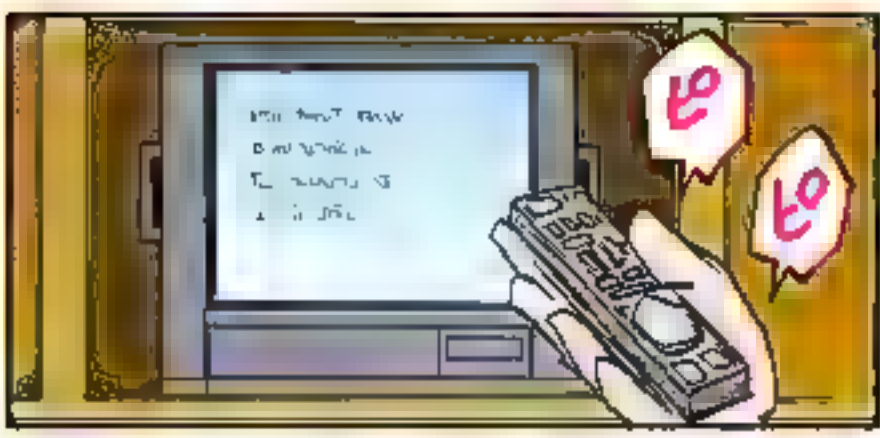
I COULD'VE BOUGHT ,000 BOXES OF CHOCOLATE! CAN'T BELIEVE IT!

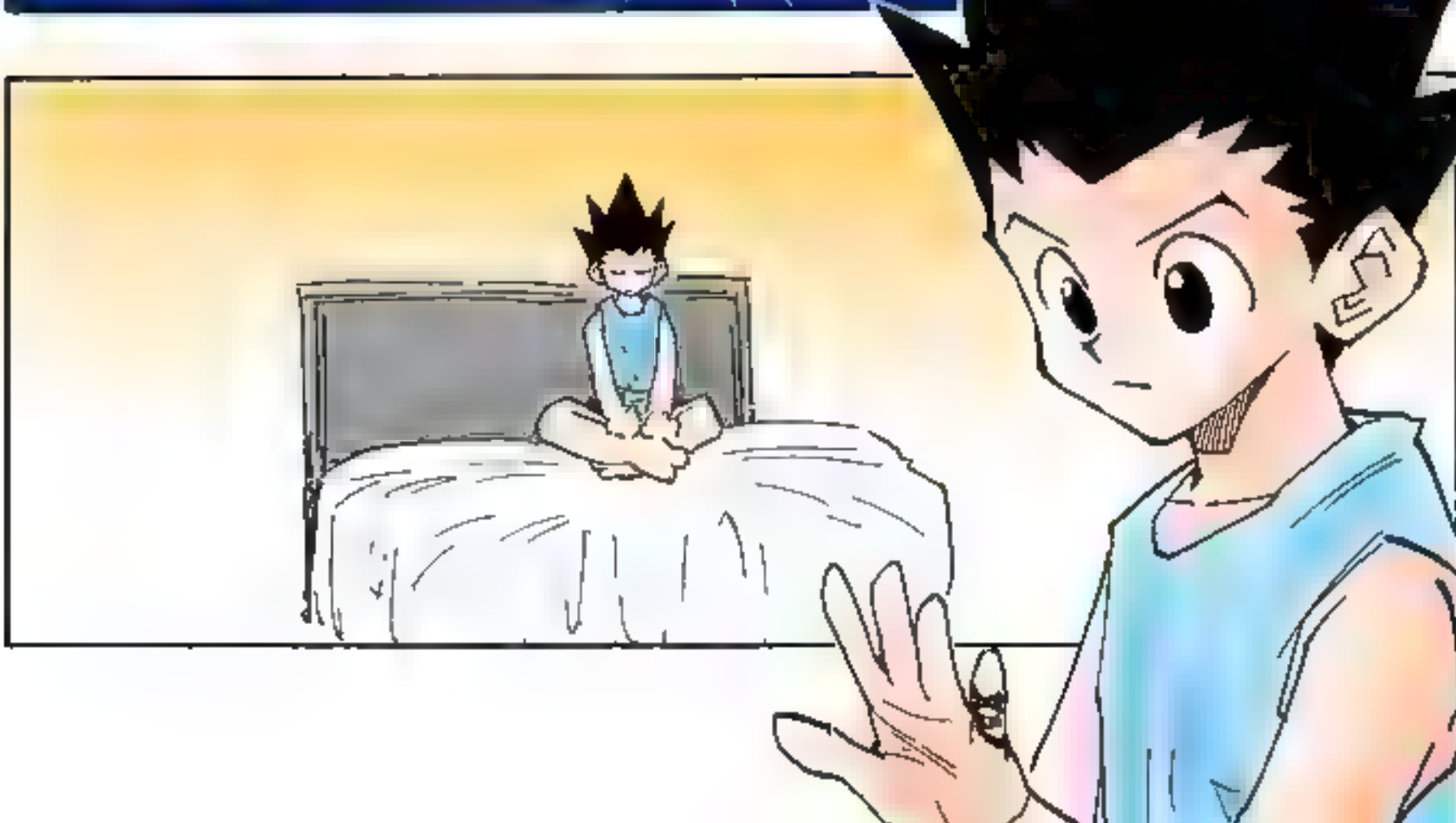
THIS IS SO UNCOOL! AND I SPENT 150,000 JENNY'S!

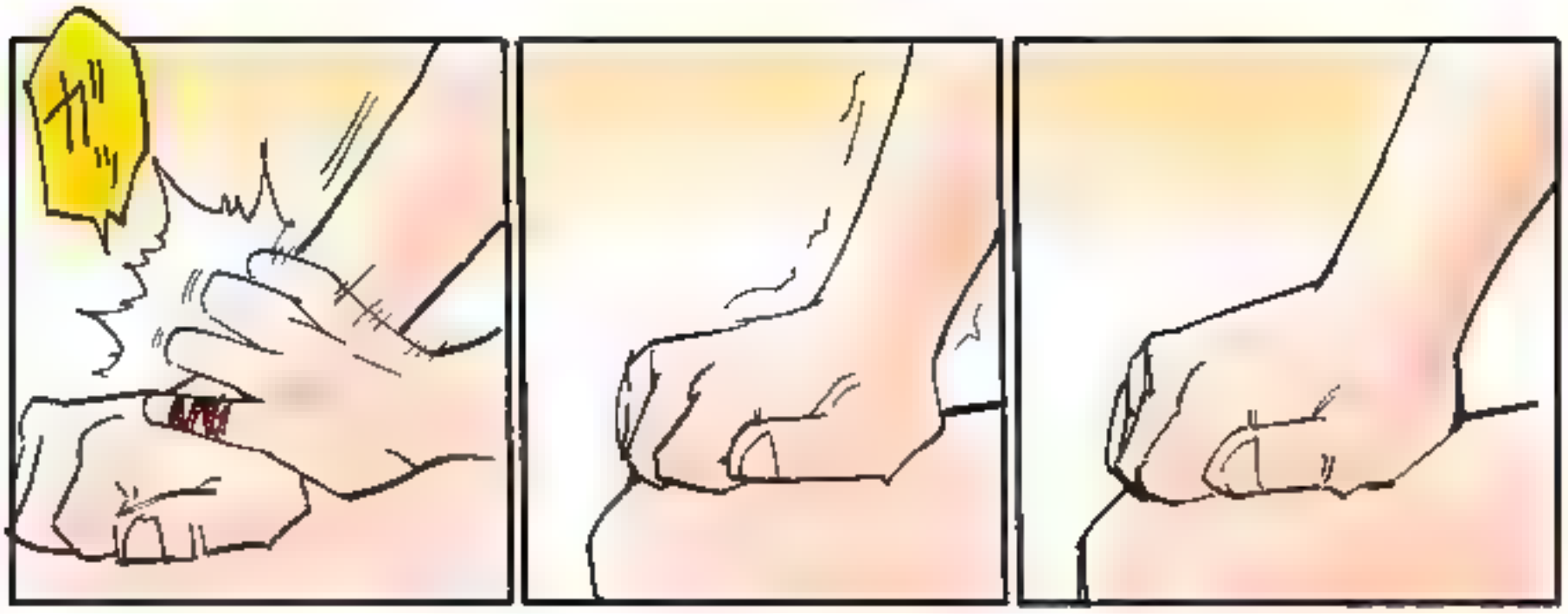
WELL, I'M GOING ALONE.

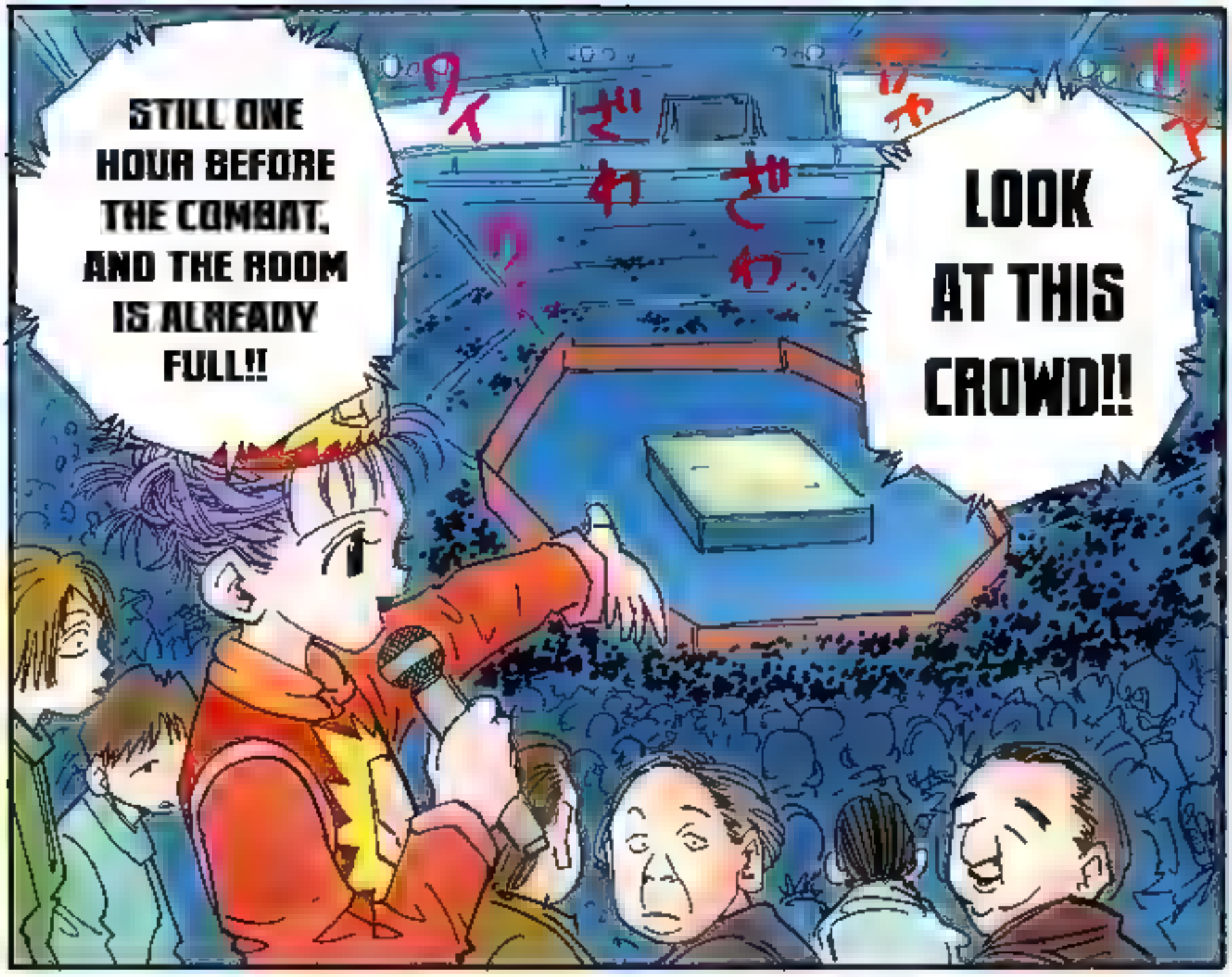
YOU DIDN'T KNOW! BUT YOU CAN RECORD THE MATCH!










STILL ONE HOUR BEFORE THE COMBAT, AND THE ROOM IS ALREADY FULL!!
LOOK AT THIS CROWD!!
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9 VICTORIES, 1 DEFEAT!! AFTER HIS DEFEAT TO HISOKA, HE WON 9 TIMES CONSECUTIVELY AND HAS DEFEATED A FLOOR MASTER!! KASTRO, THE WARRIOR!!

HE DECLARED "I'M GONNA MAKE HISOKA PAY." THE MATCH OF REVENGE?!

8 VICTORIES, 3 DEFEATS, BUT ONLY FOR NON-PRESENTATION TO THE FIGHT!! THE GOD OF DEATH THAT LIKES RESTING, THE MAGICIAN HISOKA!

LET'S WATCH THE INTERVIEW HE HAD AT TIMES OF HIS PREVIOUS MATCH.

HE MUST BE STOCKY.

HMM...

ONLY 55 MINUTES LEFT BEFORE THE BEGINNING OF THE MATCH BETWEEN THE ONES WHOSE STRENGTH MUST BE CLOSEST TO THE FLOOR MASTERS!!

I'M GONNA SHOW THAT IN TWO YEARS, I BECAME ANOTHER MAN.

NOT REALLY MODEST ...

OH...

IF I DIDN'T THINK I HAD A CHANCE OF WINNING, I WOULDN'T FIGHT.

BUT IS HE REALLY SELF-CONFIDENT, OR...?

I'M GONNA CHECK!

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HE'S HERE ...

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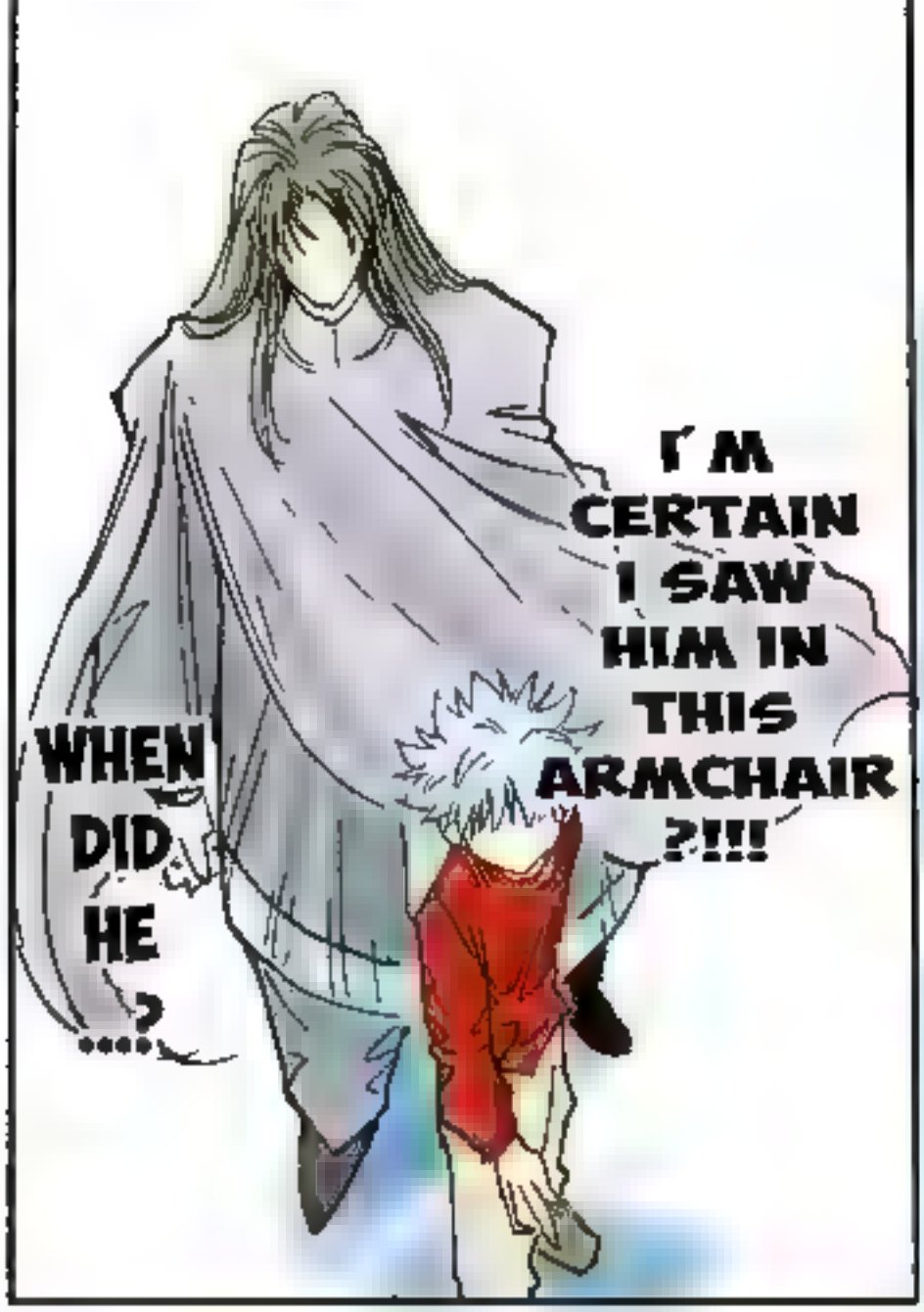
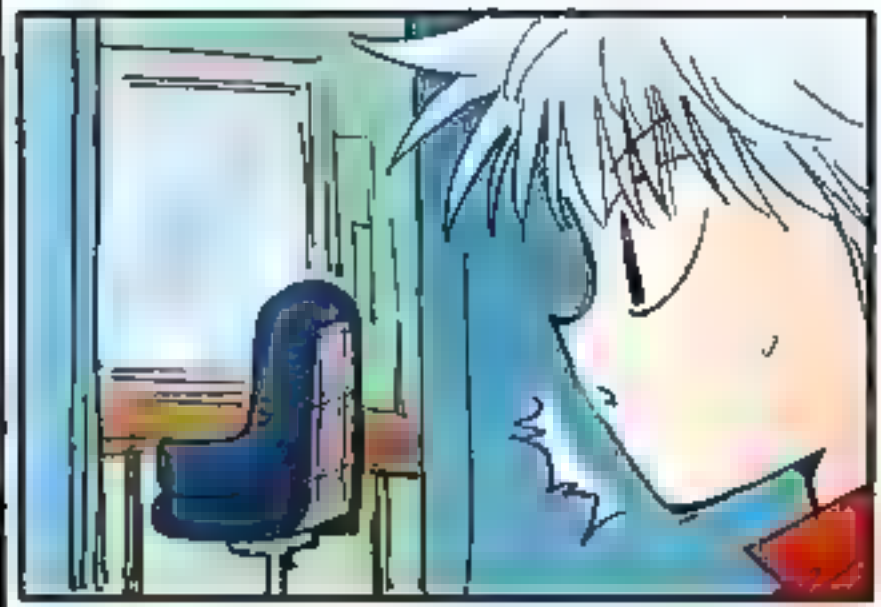
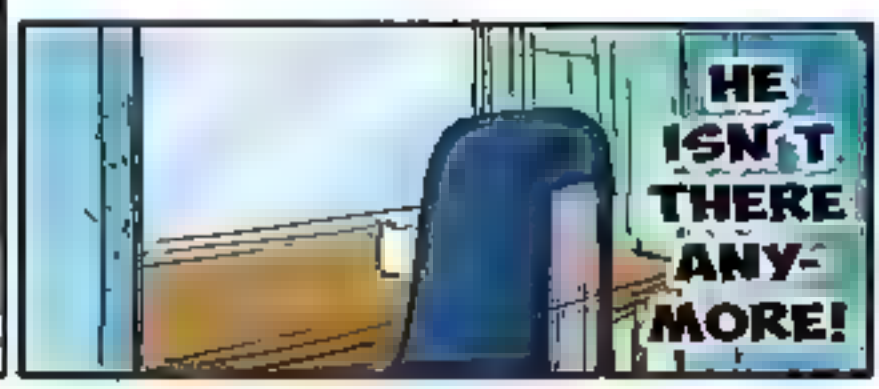
WH...

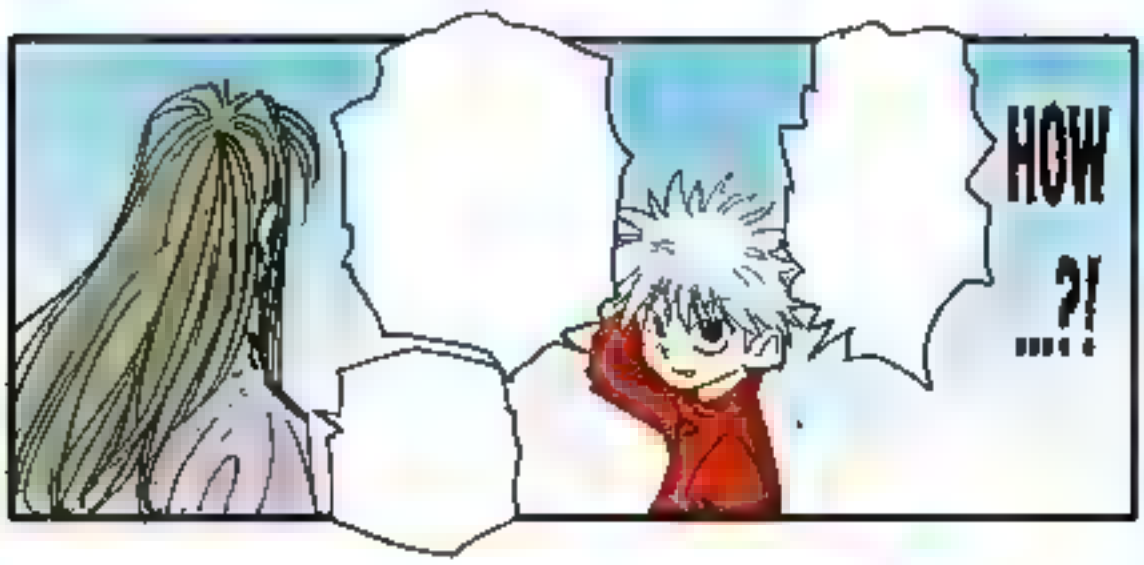
CAN I HELP YOU?

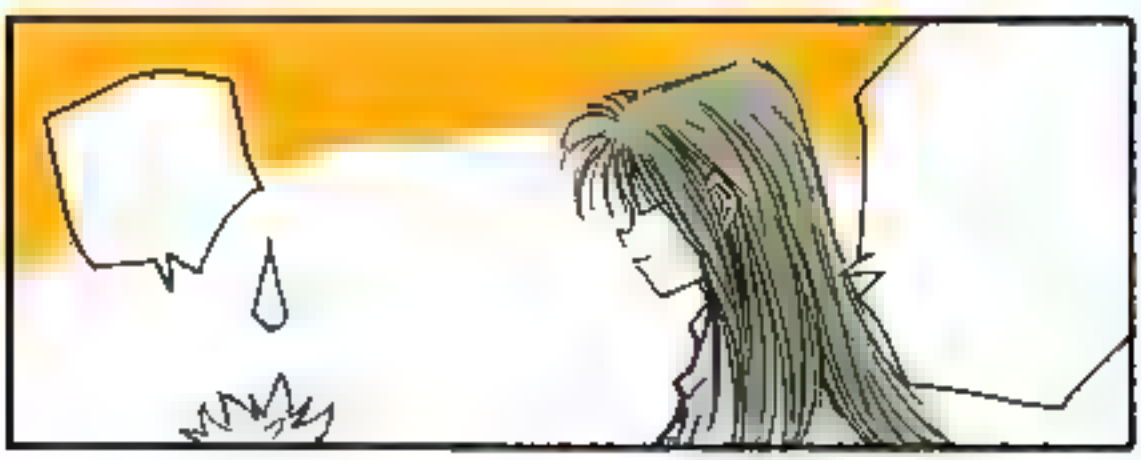

I'M CERTAIN I SAW HIM IN THIS ARMCHAIR ?!!!
WHEN DID HE ....?

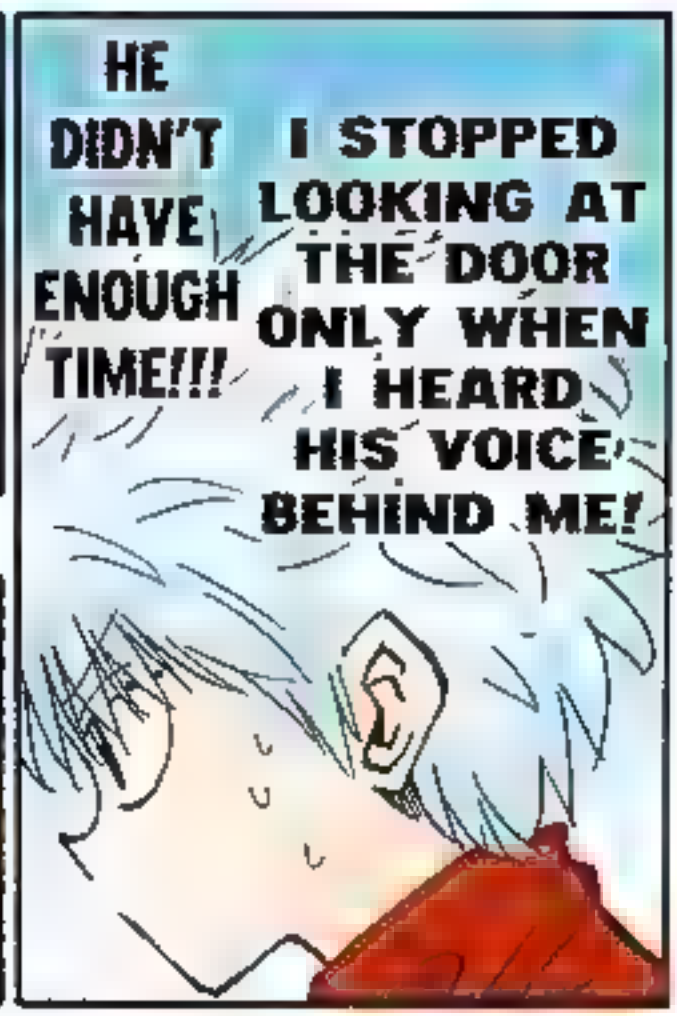



HE ISN'T THERE ANY-MORE!

IT'S NOT POSSIBLE !!!
WITHOUT ME CATCHING A GLIMPSE OF IT, HE OPENED THE DOOR IN A SECOND, PASSED BESIDES ME, THEN BEHIND ME?!!


HOW ...?!




HE DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH TIME!!!
I STOPPED LOOKING AT THE DOOR ONLY WHEN I HEARD HIS VOICE BEHIND ME!

TODAY, IT'S ADVERSARIES INSPECTIONS?

I'VE BEEN TOTALLY FOUND OUT.

NO, NO.

I WANTED TO SEE YOU UP CLOSE.

IT'S HOW YOU ARE WITH THIS BOY, GON, ISN'T IT?

YOU CAME TO HAVE A LOOT AT A POTENTIAL RIVAL OF THE 200TH FLOOR.

AH...

SO, WHAT ARE YOUR IMPRESSIONS ...?

A PRESENSE LIKE YOURS, THAT BRUSQUELY DISAPPEARS, NO NEED TO HAVE MY SKILLS TO REMARK IT.

BUT IF YOU WANT TO ERASE YOUR PRESENSE. DO IT A LONG TIME BEFORE REACHING THIS FLOOR.

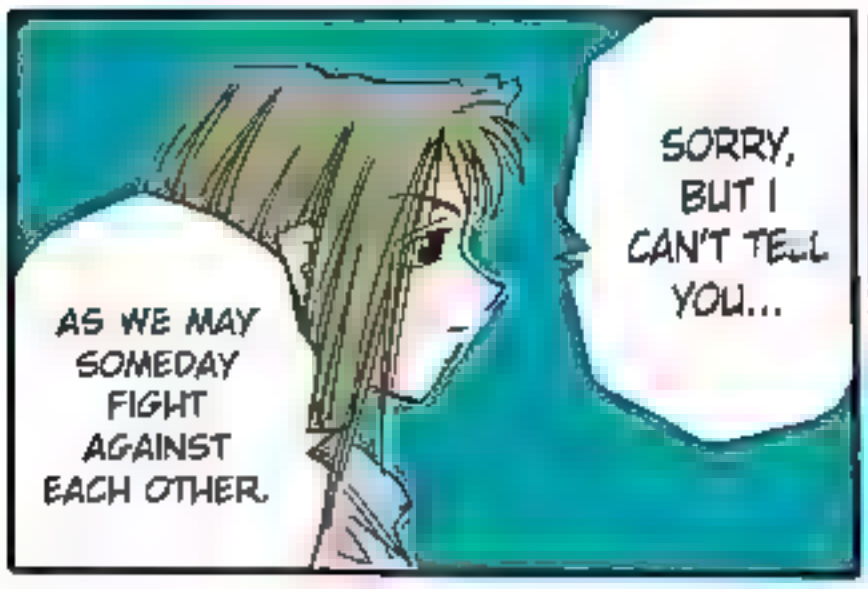
THANKS.

QUITE IMPRE-SSIVE.

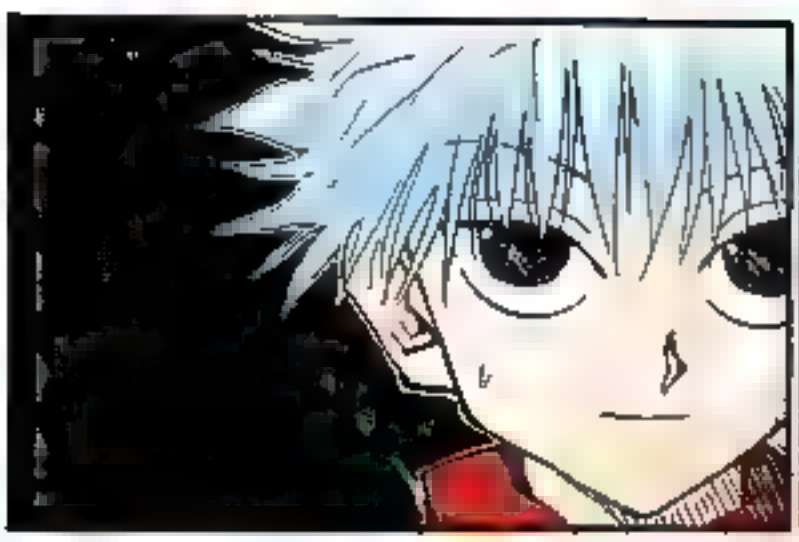
YOUR ZETSU ISN'T BAD EITHER.

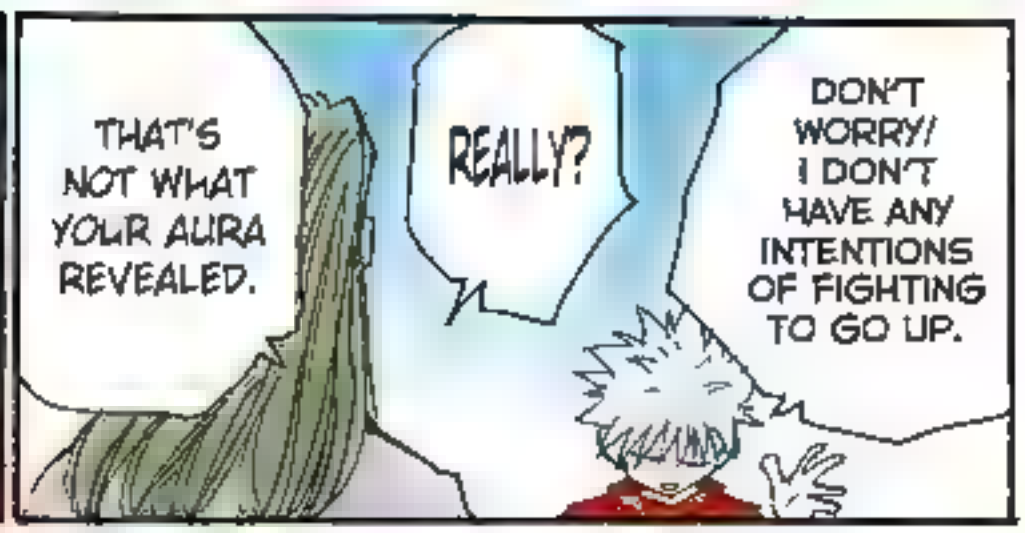
YES...

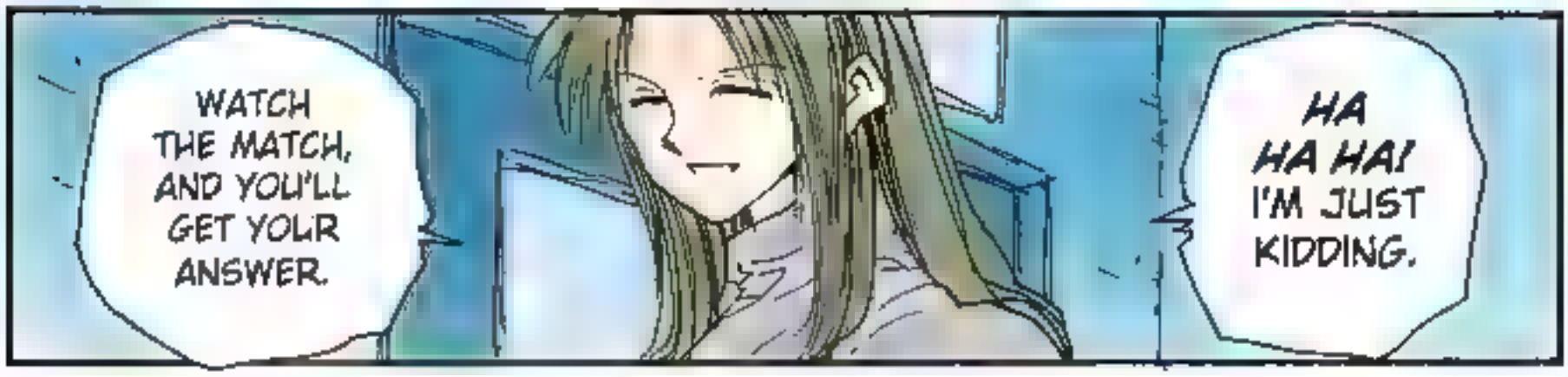
YOU MEAN YOU DETECTED ME AS SOON AS I ARRIVED AT THIS FLOOR?


AS WE MAY SOMEDAY FIGHT AGAINST EACH OTHER.
SORRY, BUT I CAN'T TELL YOU...

HOW DID YOU DO WHAT YOU JUST DID?
ANYWAYS, I WANNA ASK YOU SOMETHING ...




THAT'S NOT WHAT YOUR AURA REVEALED.
REALLY?
DON'T WORRY! I DON'T HAVE ANY INTENTIONS OF FIGHTING TO GO UP.


WATCH THE MATCH, AND YOU'LL GET YOUR ANSWER.
HA HA HA! I'M JUST KIDDING.

I TOLD YOU I WON'T FIGHT!

I'LL WAIT FOR YOU AT THE BATTLE OLYMPIA.
YOU, I'M SURE YOU CAN DO IT.

NO, TOO BAD.
OH! YOU WANT AN AUTO-GRAPH?

SEE YA!
PLUS, I FORGOT TO BRING A PIECE OF PAPER AND A PEN.

HERE WE ARE!!

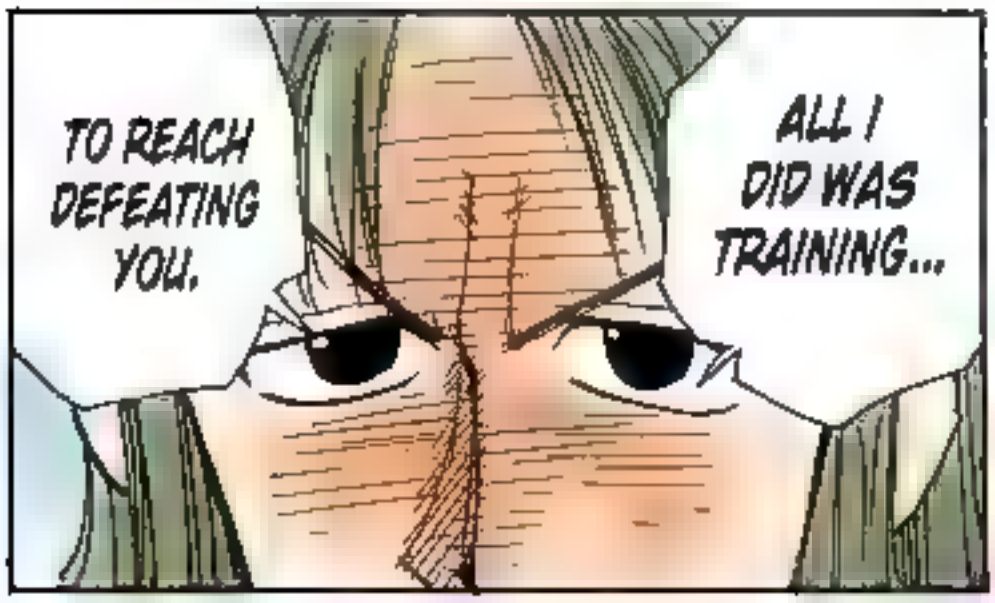
THE COMBAT BETWEEN HISOKA AND KASTRO!!

HE! HE! HE! HE! ♠

WHO'S BECOME STRONGER?

WITHOUT YOUR BAPTISMAL, I WOULDN'T HAVE BECOME SO STRONG.

I THANK YOU, HISOKA.


TO REACH DEFEATING YOU.
ALL I DID WAS TRAINING...

IN THE 9 MATCHES I FOUGHT AFTER MY DEFEAT TO YOU..
I WARN YOU.
NOT ONCE DID I GO ALL OUT.

BEGIN!!

LET'S GO!!

CLEAN HIT!!

IT BEGINS WITH AN EXPLOSIVE ENTRANCE OF KASTRO!!

I WAS CERTAIN I HAD AVOIDED HIS RIGHT HAND...

.....?

HISOKA!

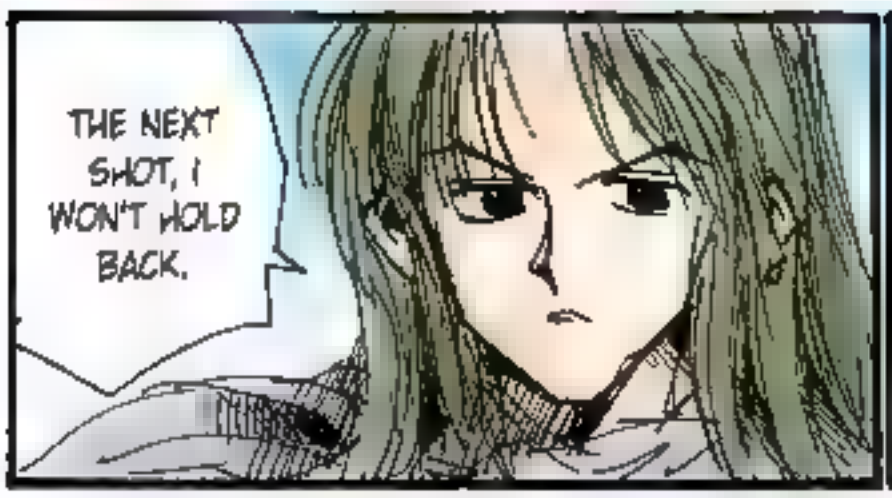
FIGHT FOR REAL...

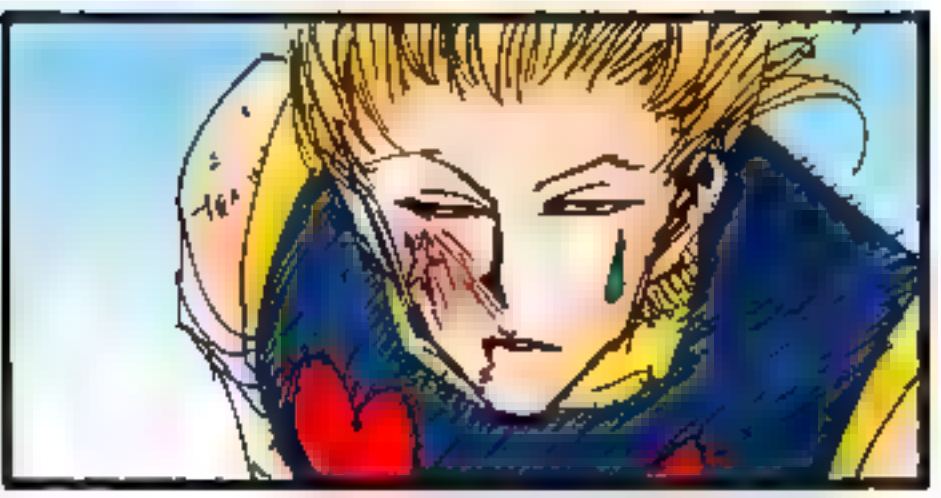
COLOR LEORIO!

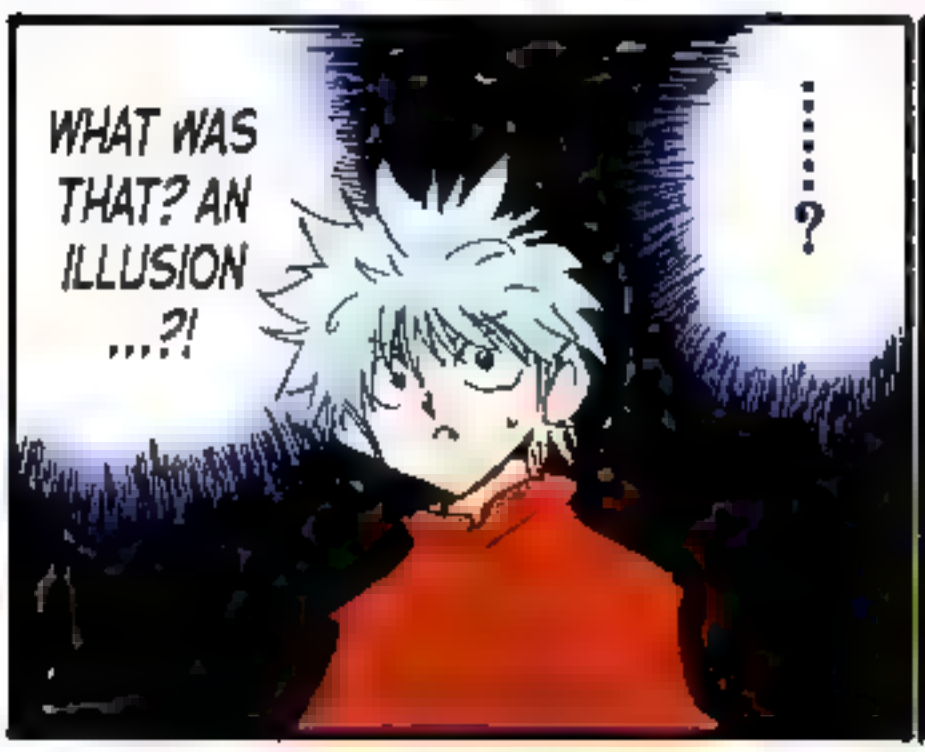
I'VE CHANGED A LOT IN 2 YEARS.

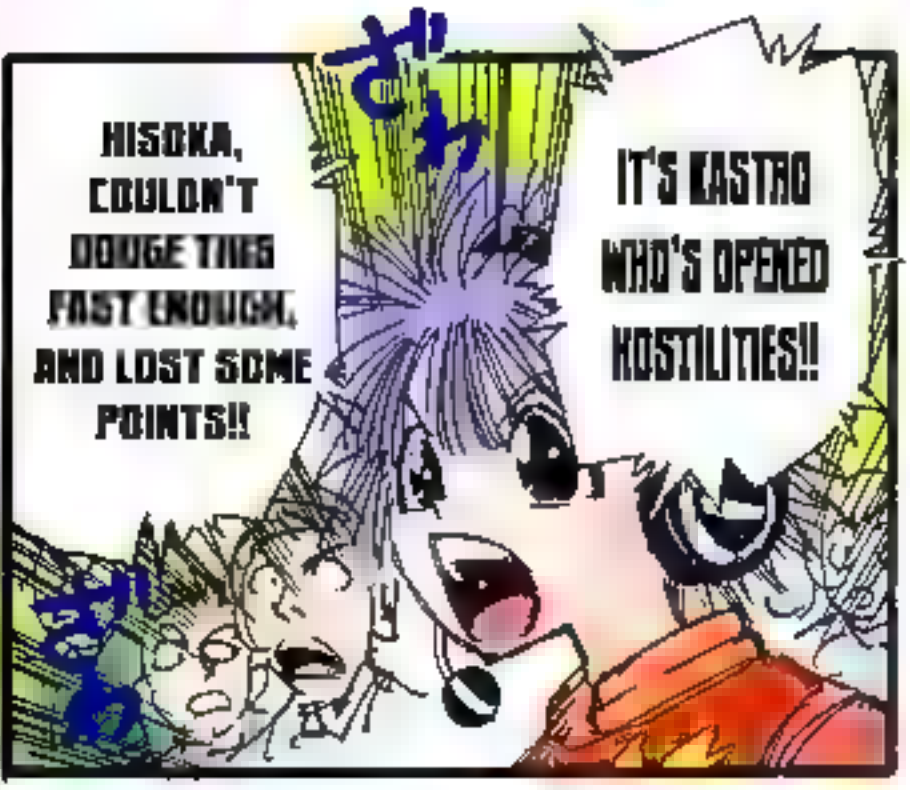
DON'T HOLD BACK, HISOKA!

No.053 ◆ DOUBLE









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HOLDING BACK OR NOT, I'M THE ONE WHO DECIDES.

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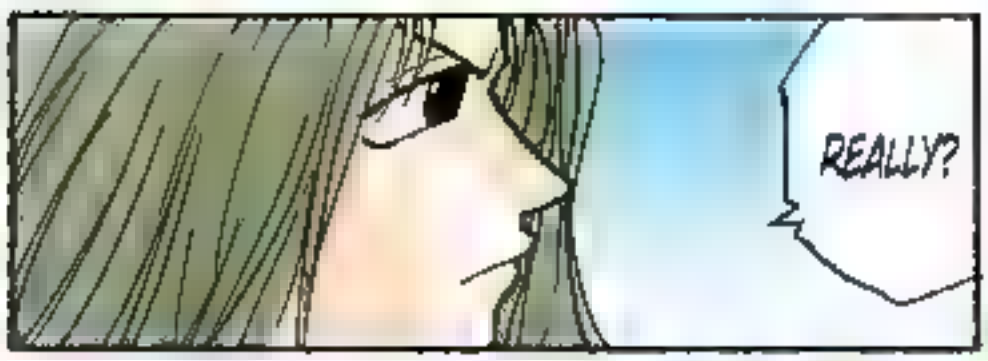
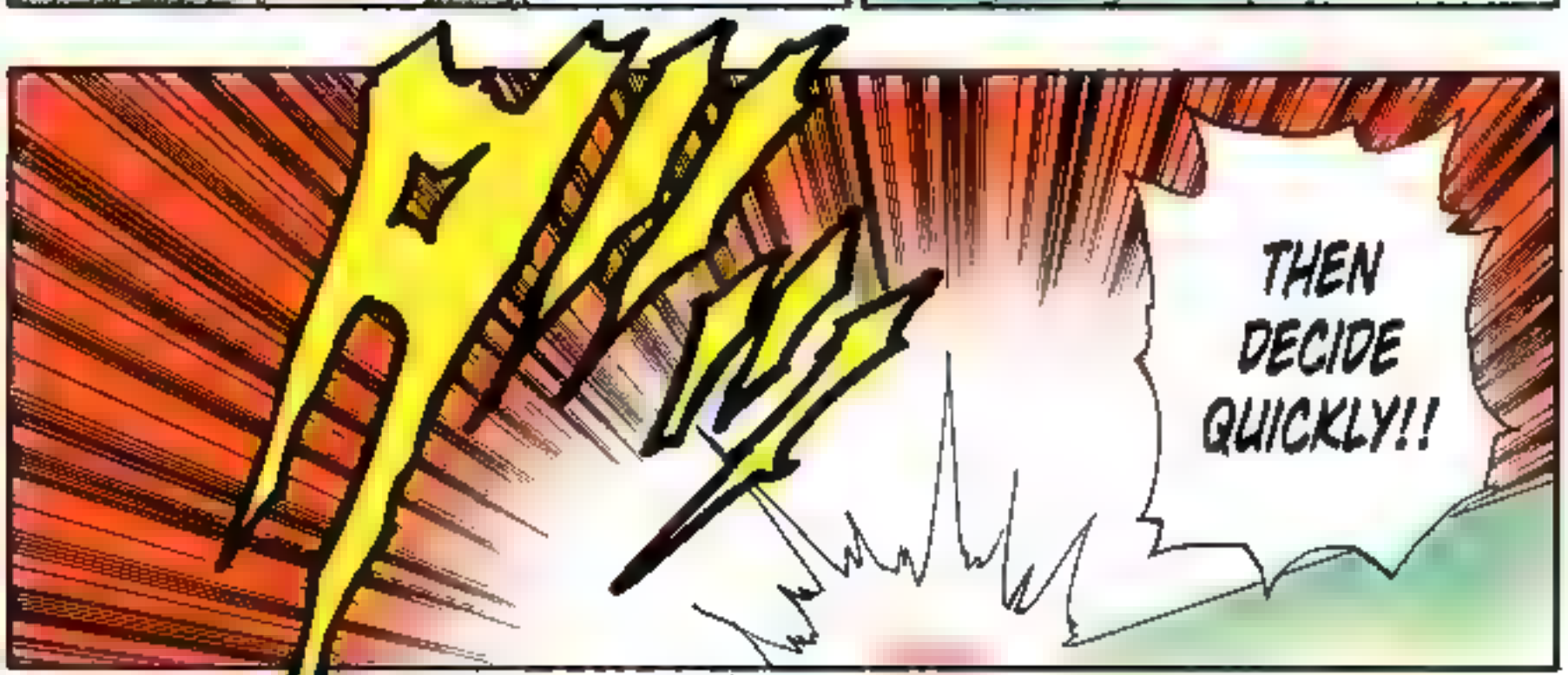
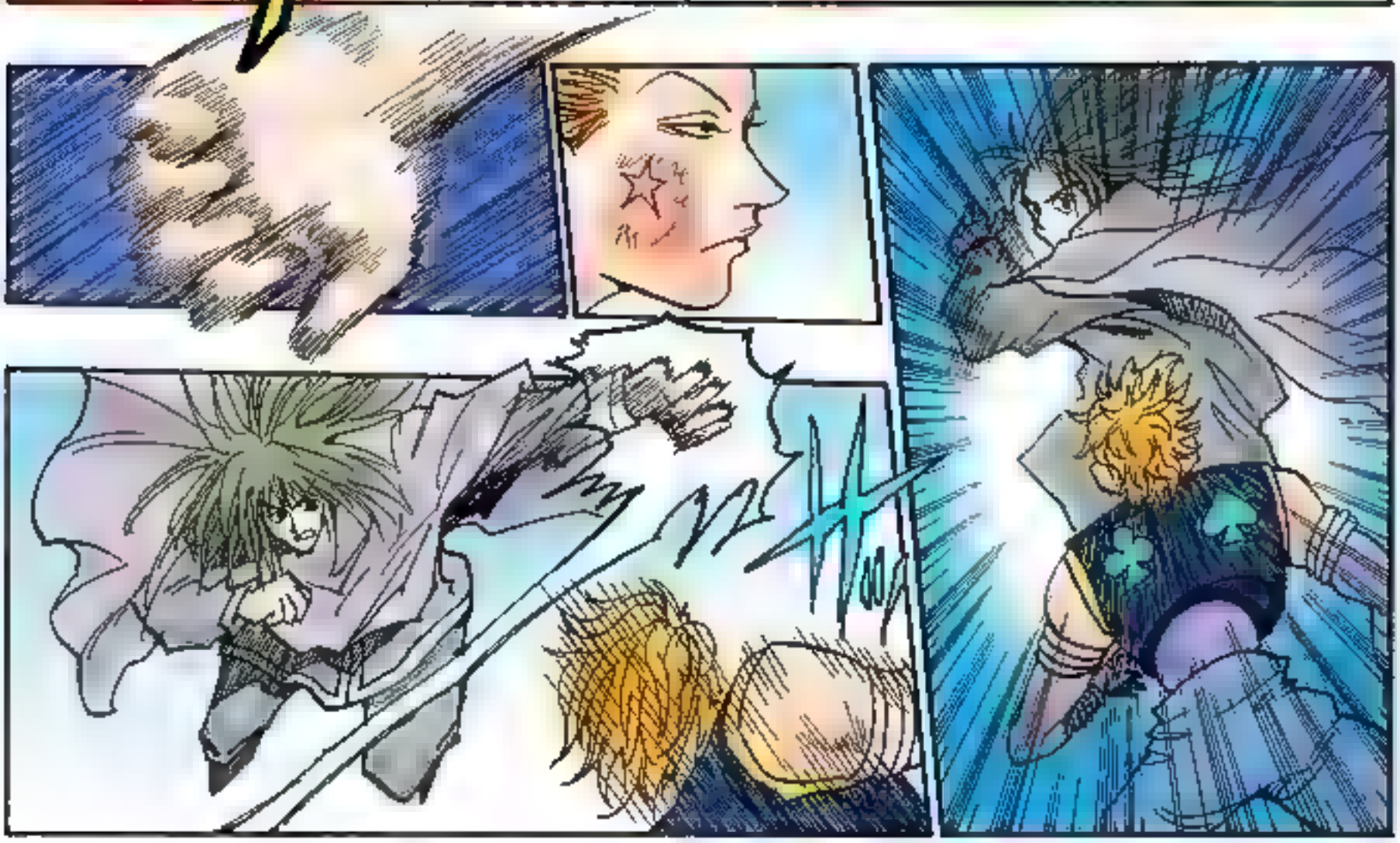
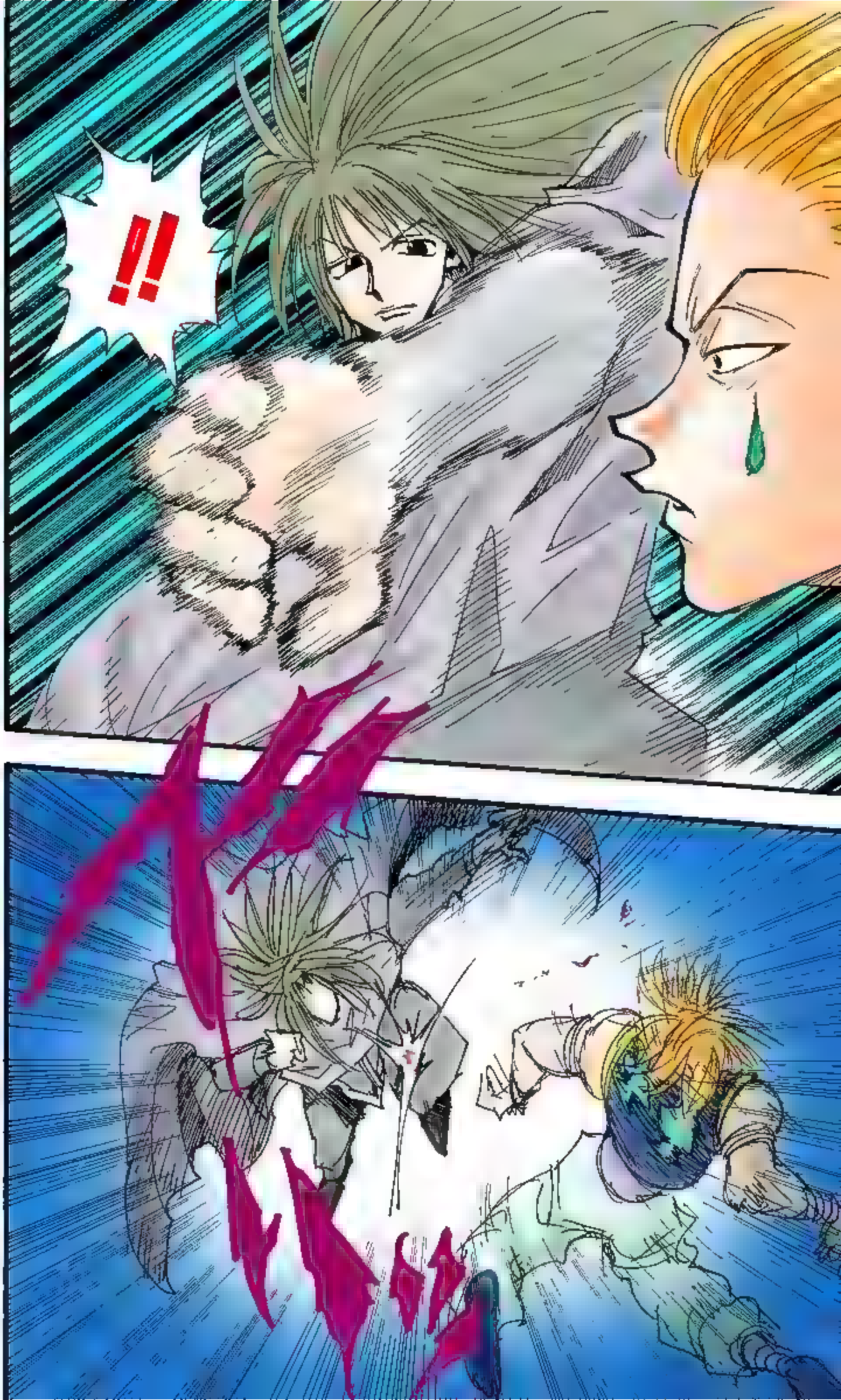
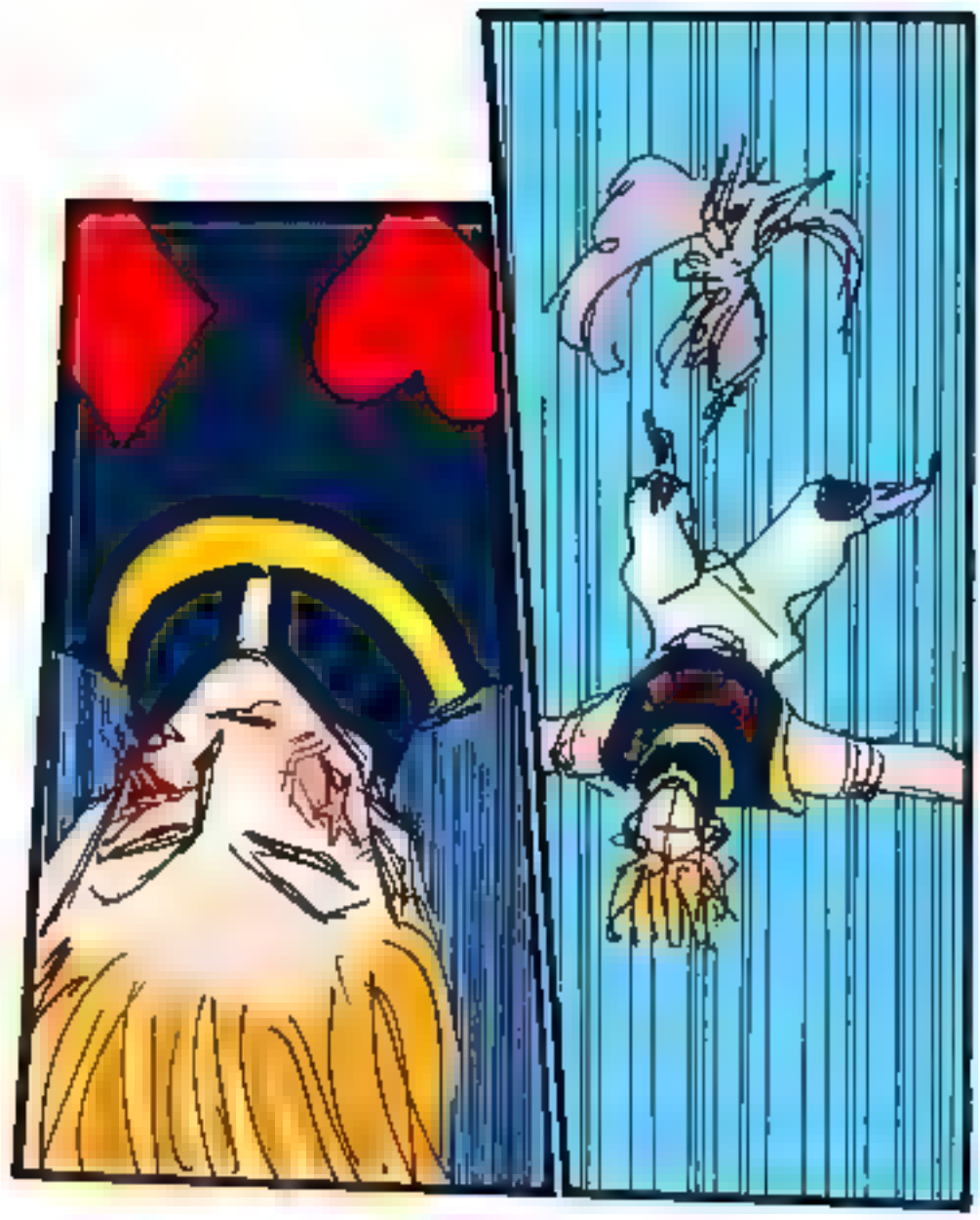

REALLY?

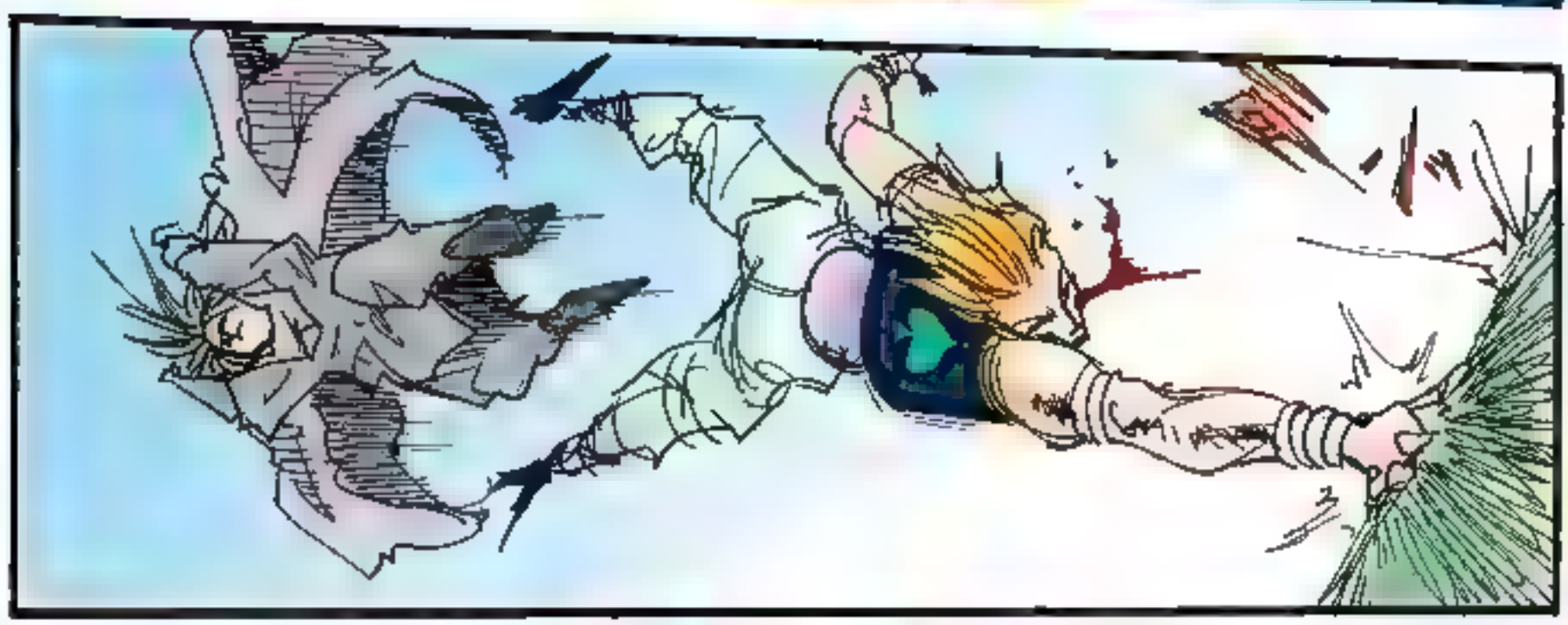

THEN DECIDE QUICKLY!!

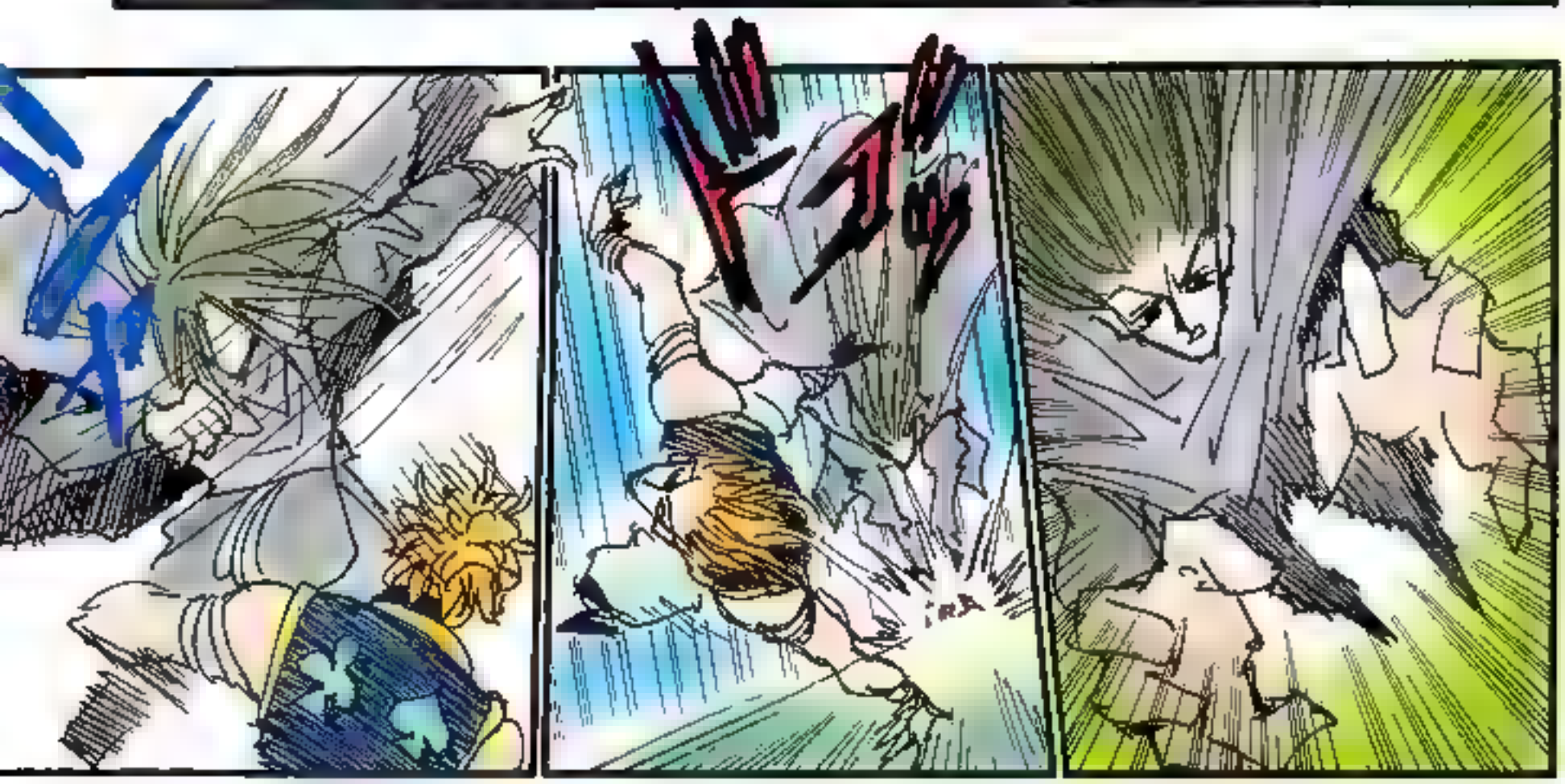


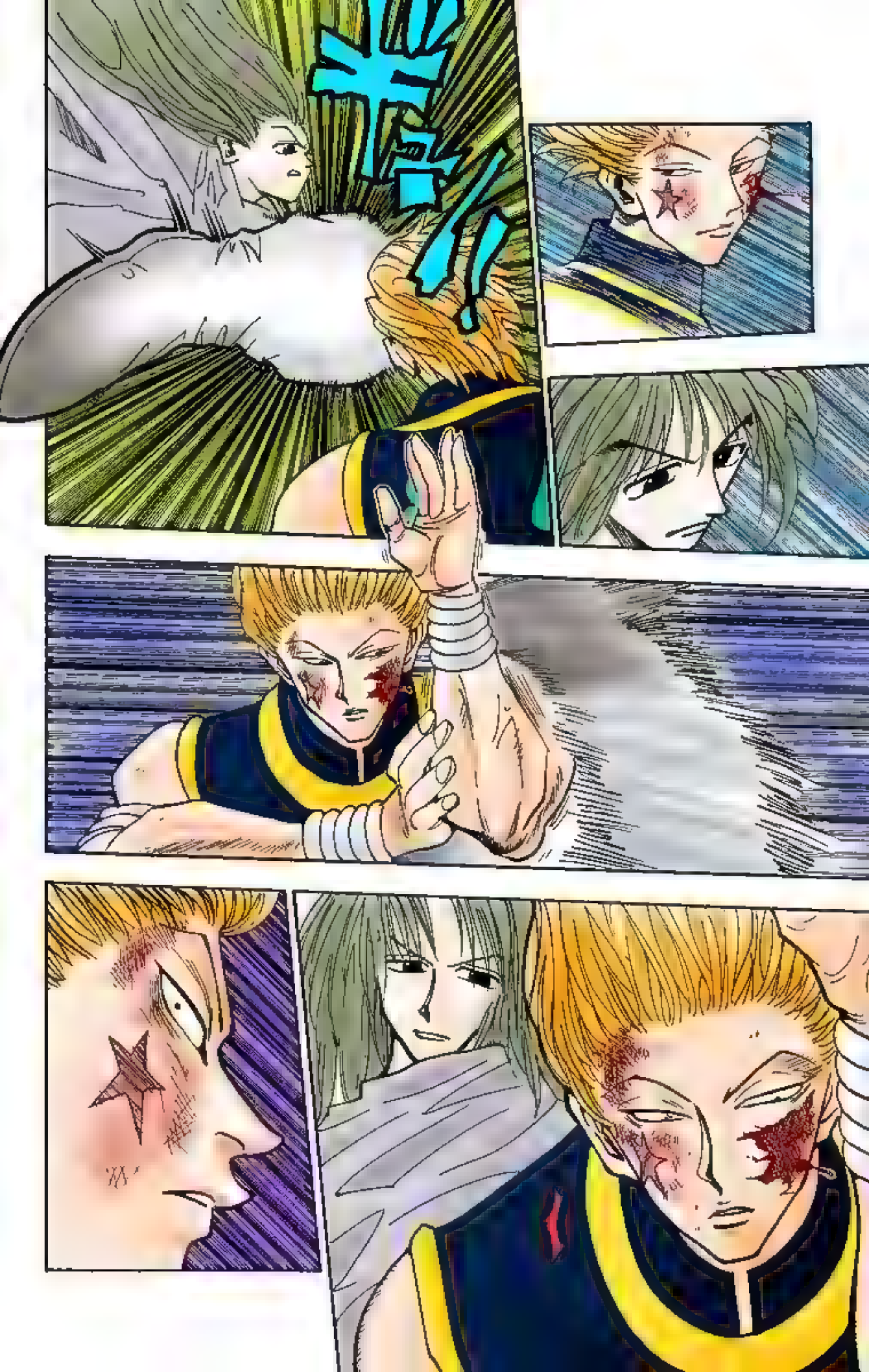


I'VE ALREADY DODGED HIS ATTACK, BUT...









CLEAN HIT & DOWN!!
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THE SCORE IS NOW 4 TO 0!! BUT...WHAT I JUST SAW...WAS I DREAMING?!
KASTRO CONTINUES HIS SEQUENCE OF TERRIBLE HITS, MORE AND MORE AMAZING!!

AND YOU'LL DIE WITHOUT HAVING TO UNDERSTAND ANYTHING.

CONTINUE LIKE THIS...

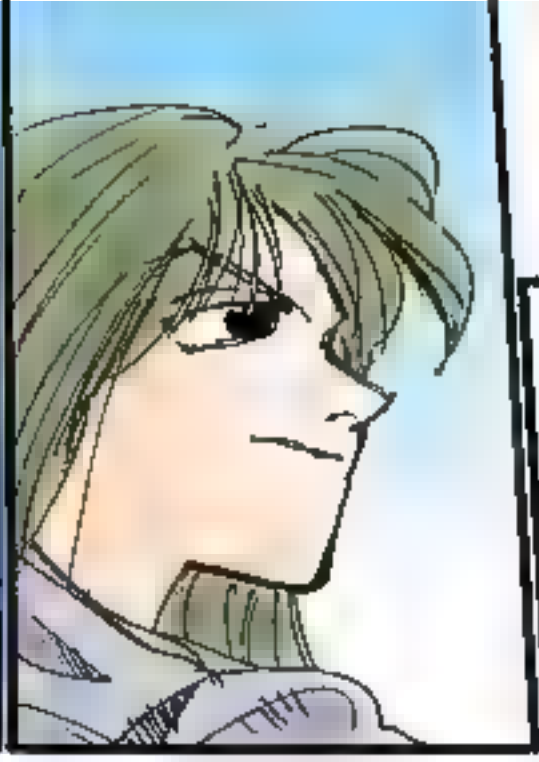
YOU STILL HAVEN'T CHANGED YOUR MIND?

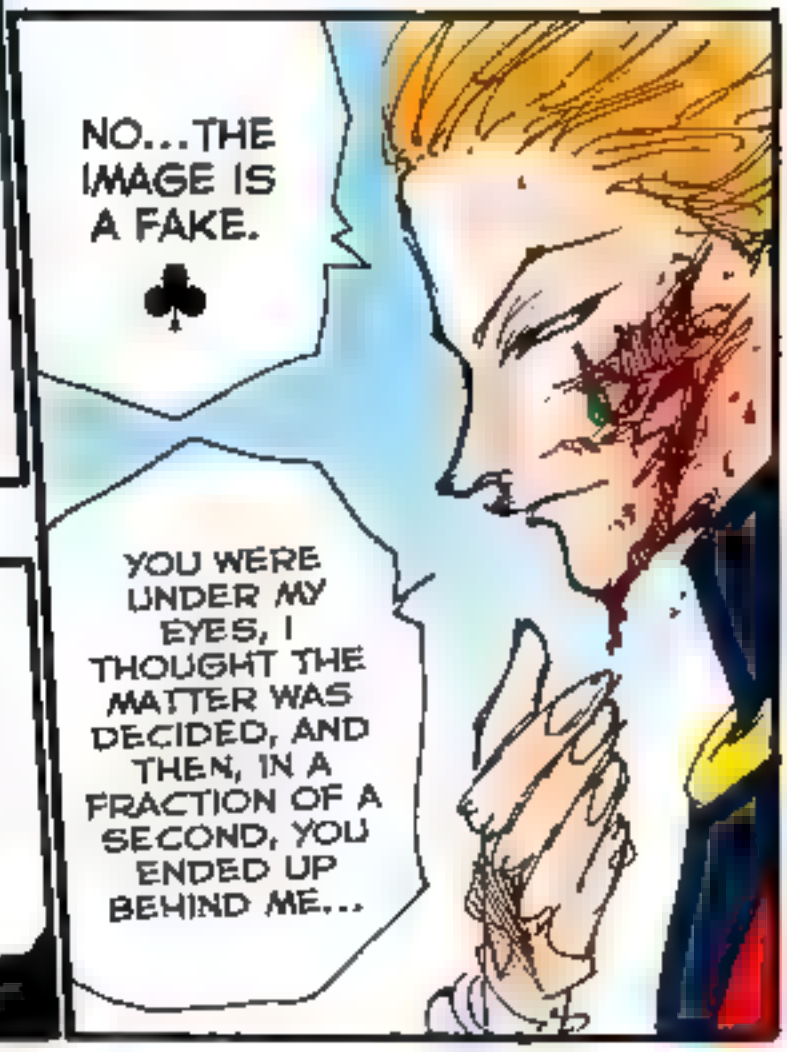
can you continue?

I WASN'T DREAMING ...

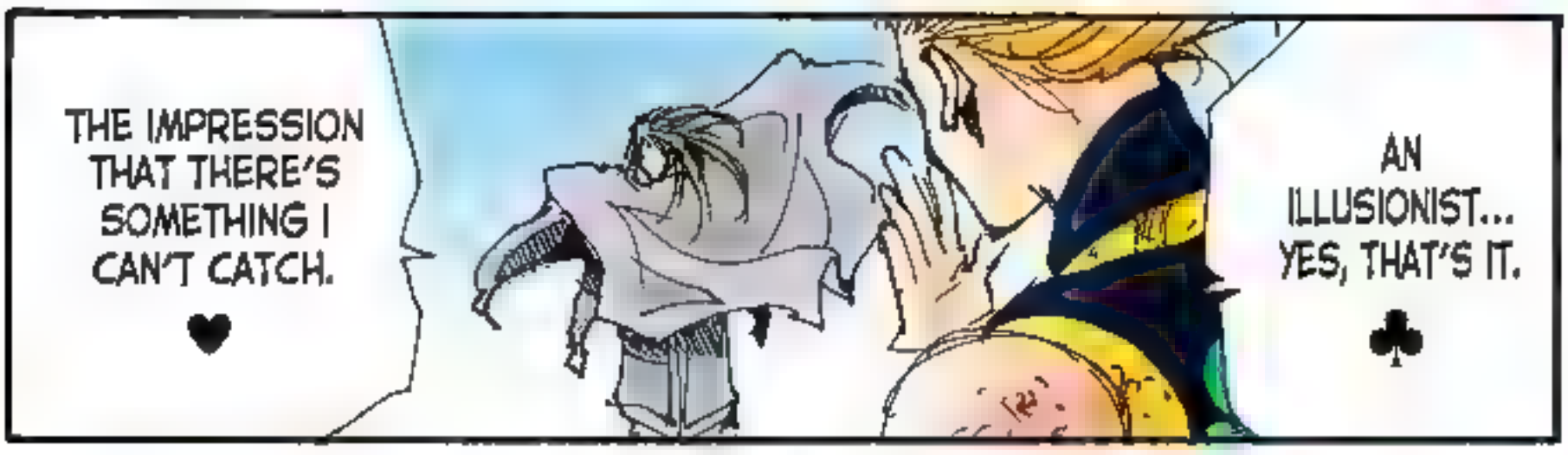
THAT'S TRUE!! HE DISAPPEARED!! THAT'S WHAT WE ALL SAW!!!

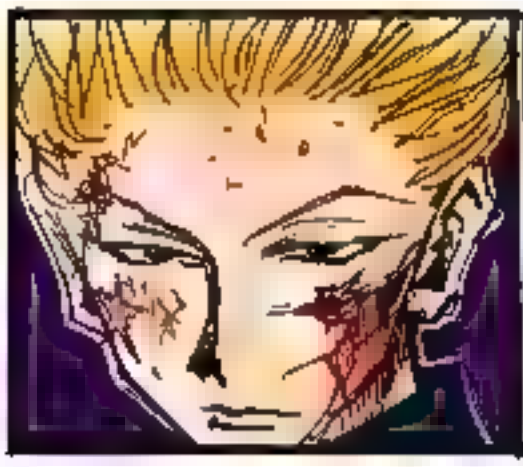
I THOUGHT YOU DISAP-PEARED... ♣

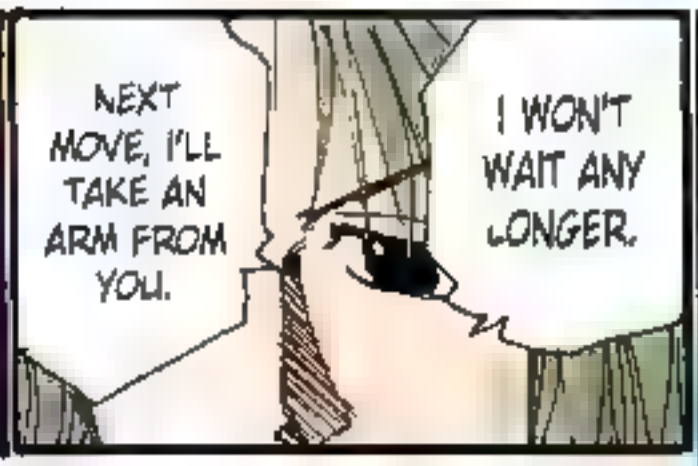



NO...THE IMAGE IS A FAKE. ♣
YOU WERE UNDER MY EYES, I THOUGHT THE MATTER WAS DECIDED, AND THEN, IN A FRACTION OF A SECOND, YOU ENDED UP BEHIND ME...

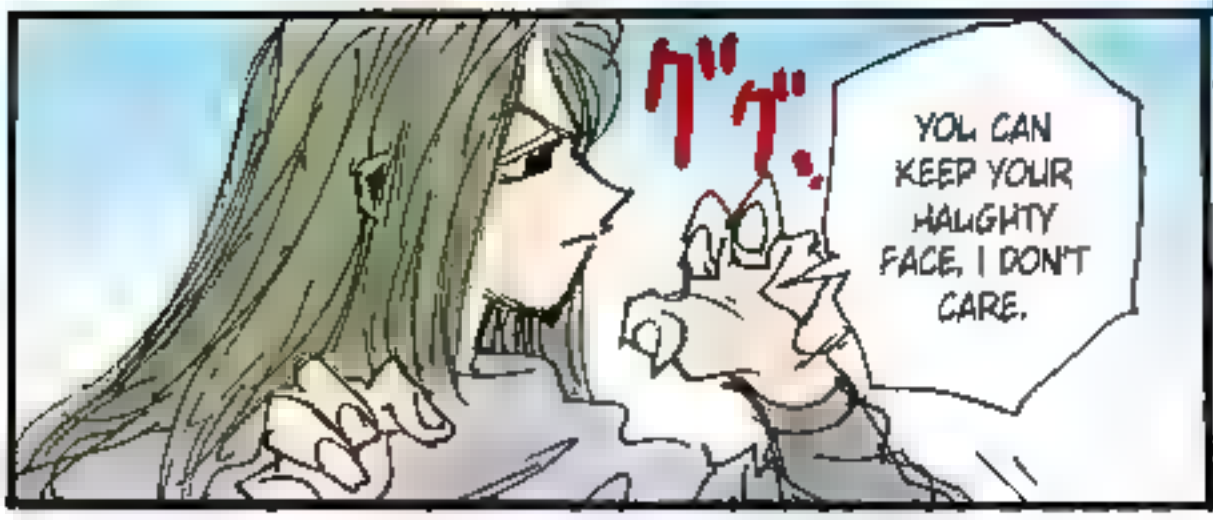
I THINK THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG. ♦
ANYWAYS, IT'S WHAT I BELIEVE I HAVE SEEN, BUT...


THE IMPRESSION THAT THERE'S SOMETHING I CAN'T CATCH. ♥
AN ILLUSIONIST... YES, THAT'S IT. ♣




NEXT MOVE, I'LL TAKE AN ARM FROM YOU.
I WON'T WAIT ANY LONGER.

YOU'RE WASTING YOUR TIME.
IF YOU KEEP LEAKING, YOU WON'T SOLVE THE MYSTERY.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YOU CAN KEEP YOUR HAUGHTY FACE, I DON'T CARE.

UNTIL THE MOMENT YOU UNDERSTAND THE EXPANSE OF

KASTRO IS THE FIRST TO REALLY GET SERIOUS IN THE MATCH.

THERE! THE "BITE OF THE TIGER"!!

AND HISOKA STILL HASN'T UNDERSTOOD THE REAL STRENGTH OF KASTRO!

WELL, I DON'T UNDERSTAND A LOT EITHER...

THE BITE OF THE TIGER. A TECHNIQUE FROM MARTIAL ARTS, CONSISTING OF IMITATING, WITH THE HANDS, THE CLAWS AND FANGS OF A TIGER. TO MUTILATE THE OPPONENT

EXPERTS ARE ABLE TO CUT IMMENSE TREE TRUNKS IN HALF.

HOO...

IF HE DOESN'T REACT FAST ENOUGH FOR IT, HE'S GONNA GET KILLED ...!!!
HERE I COME!!
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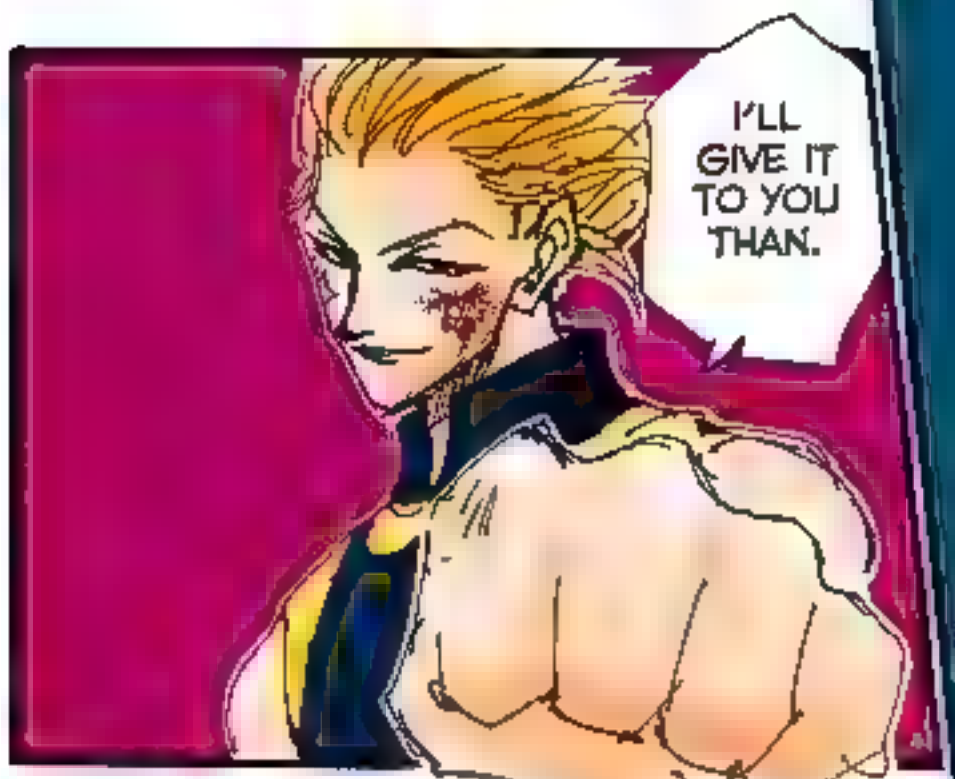
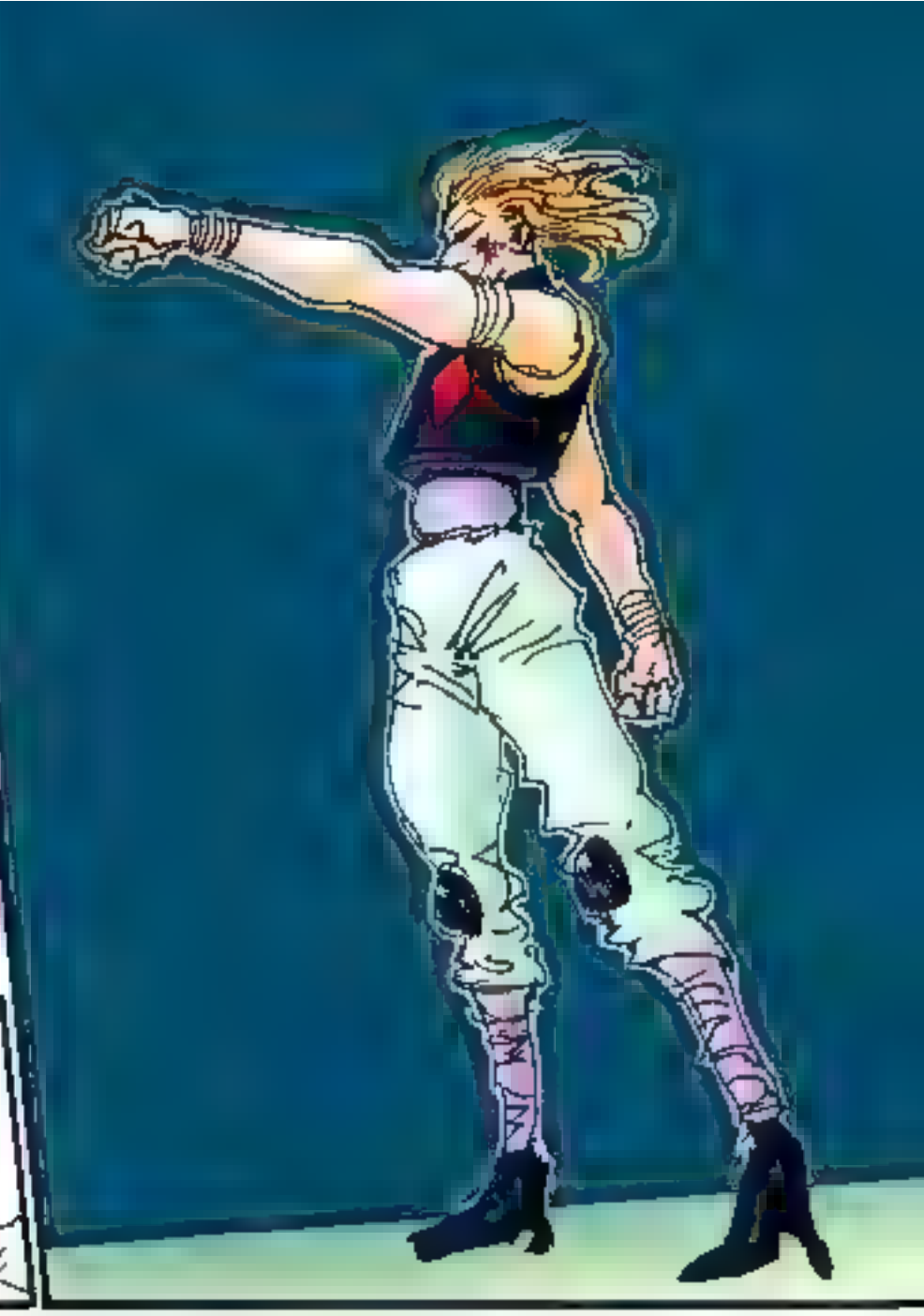
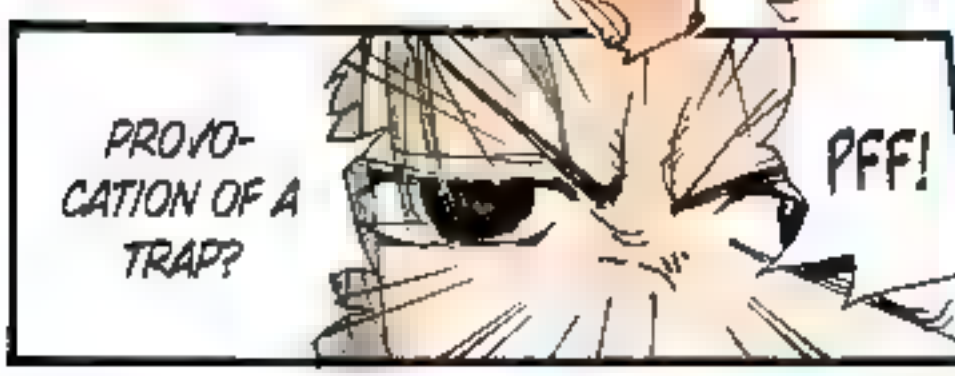
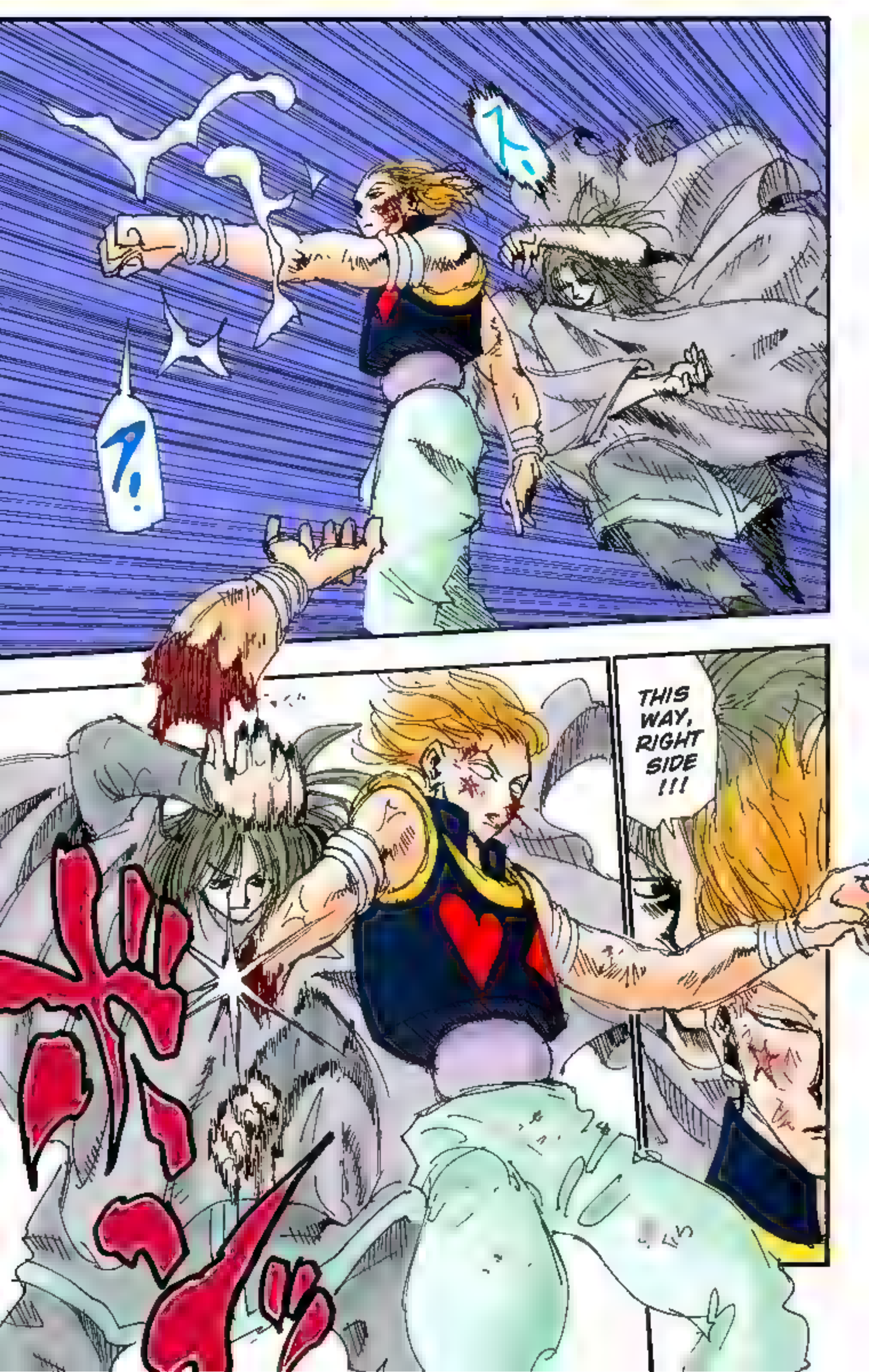
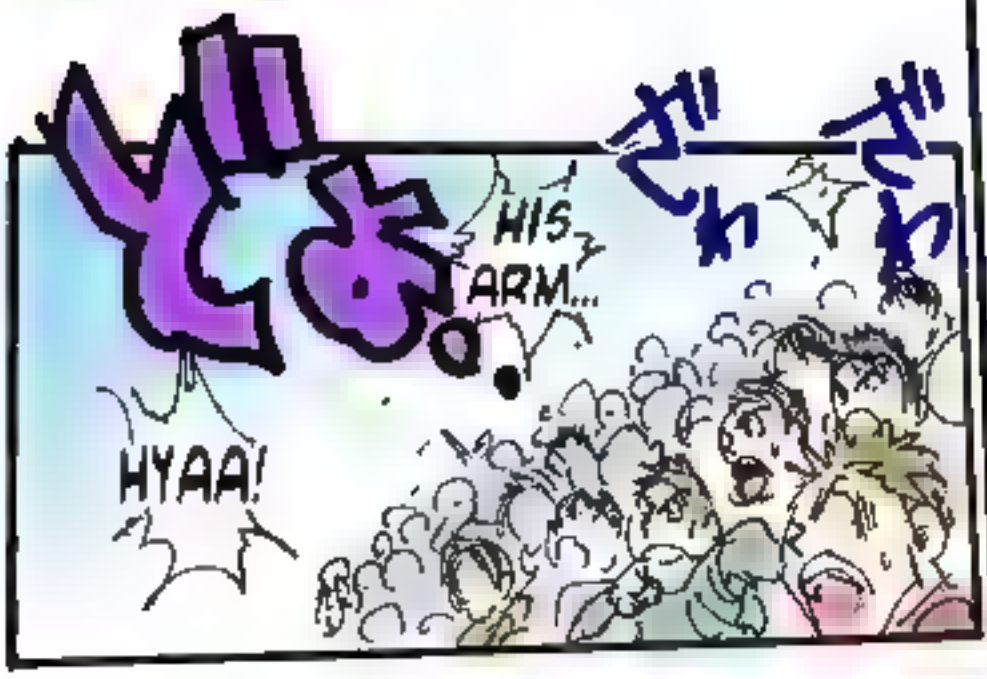

I'LL GIVE IT TO YOU THAN.

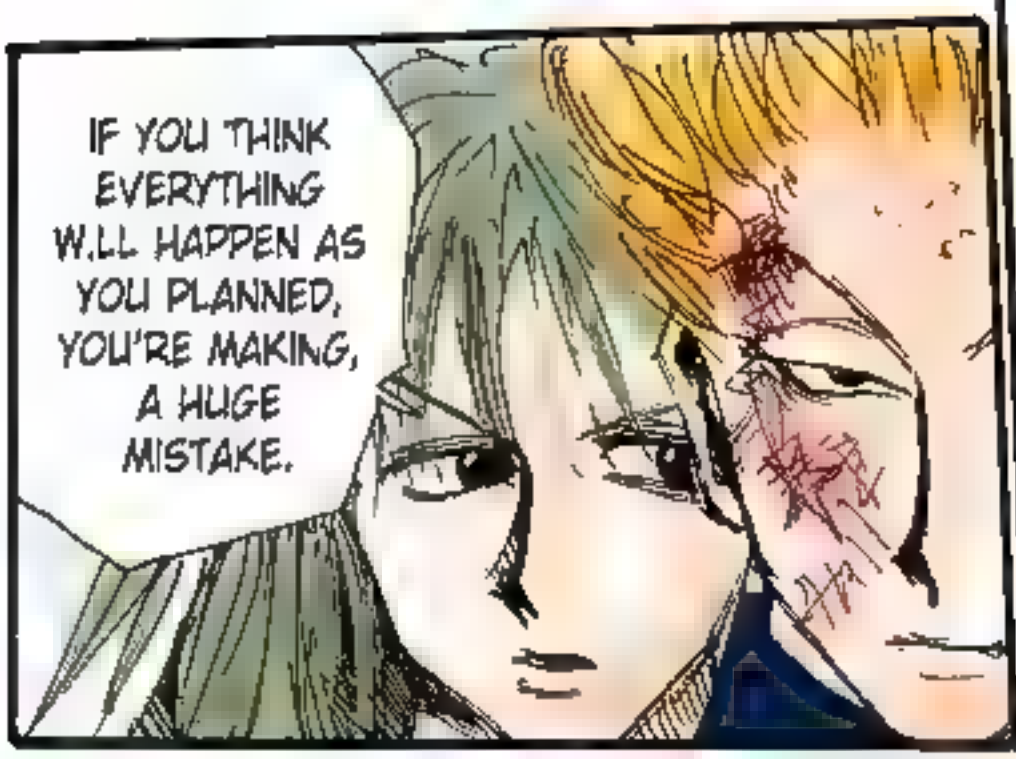


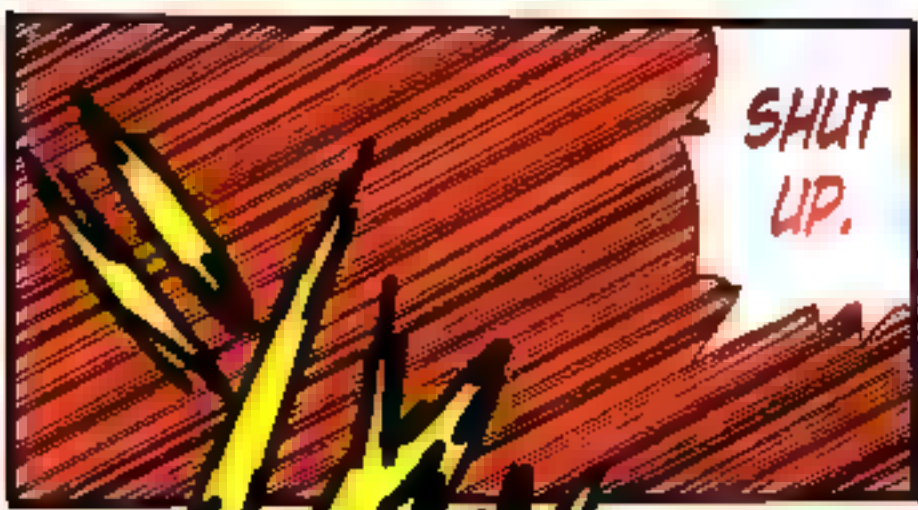

PROVO-CATION OF A TRAP?
PFF!

WHATEVER, I'LL TAKE THE
BOOM
BOOM

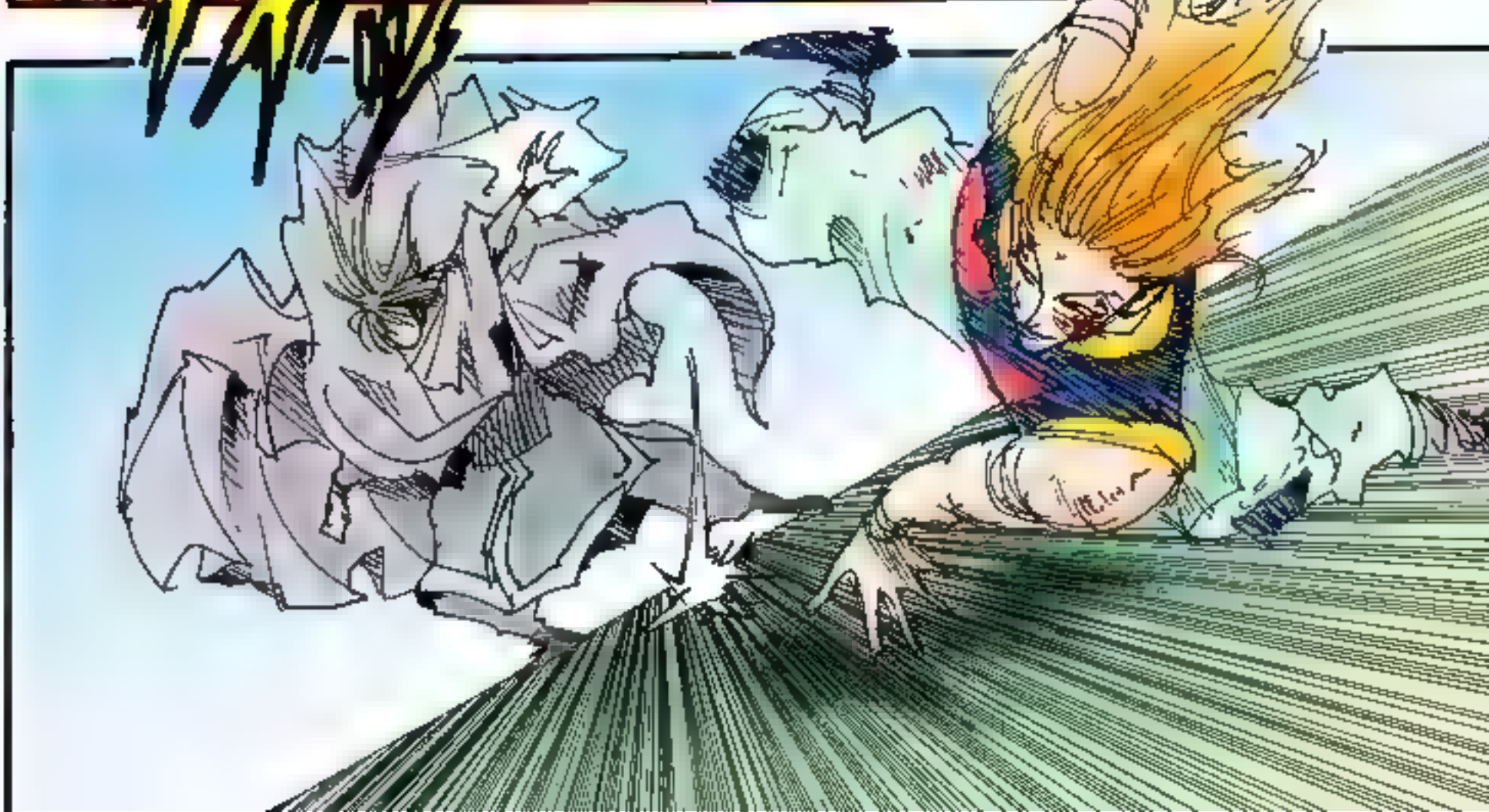

THIS WAY, RIGHT SIDE !!!


HIS ARM...
HYAA!


IF YOU THINK EVERYTHING W.LL HAPPEN AS YOU PLANNED, YOU'RE MAKING, A HUGE MISTAKE.


SHUT UP.

THAT WAS PART OF MY PLAN.



THE SECRET OF YOUR STRENGHT ...

HE HEHE! I SEE.

THAT'S IT EXACTLY IT.

CONGRA-TULATIONS.

IT'S YOUR DOUBLE...

ISN'T IT?

WHAT'S HE TALKING ABOUT?

A DOUBLE ...?

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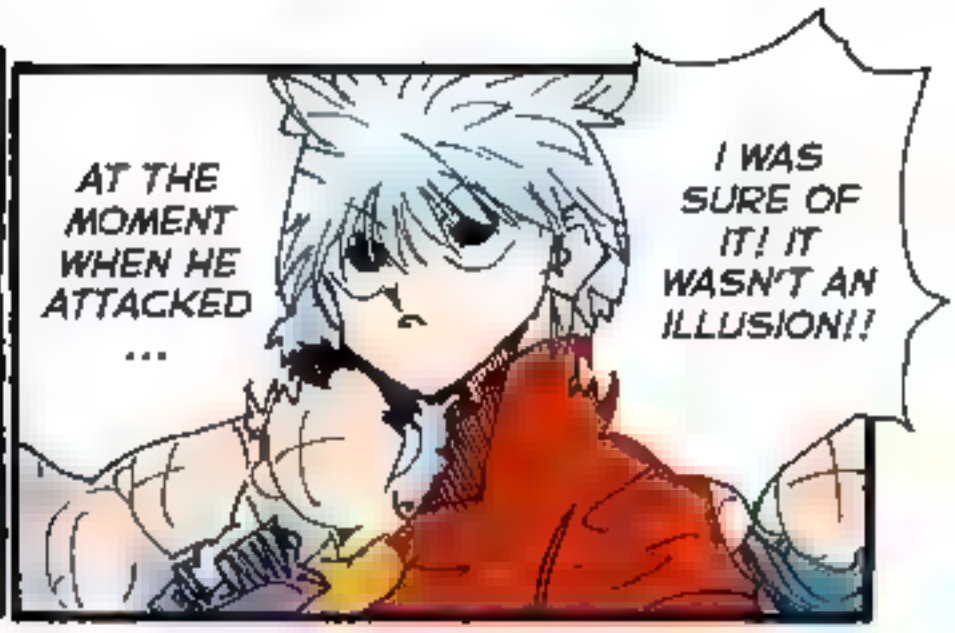
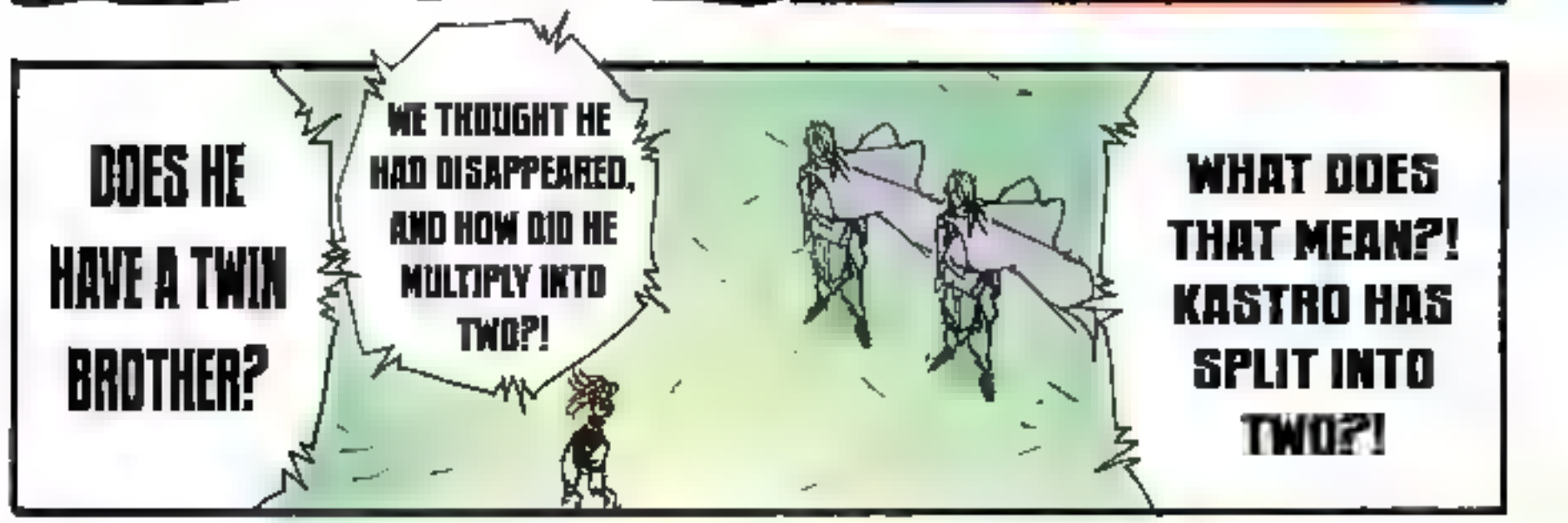
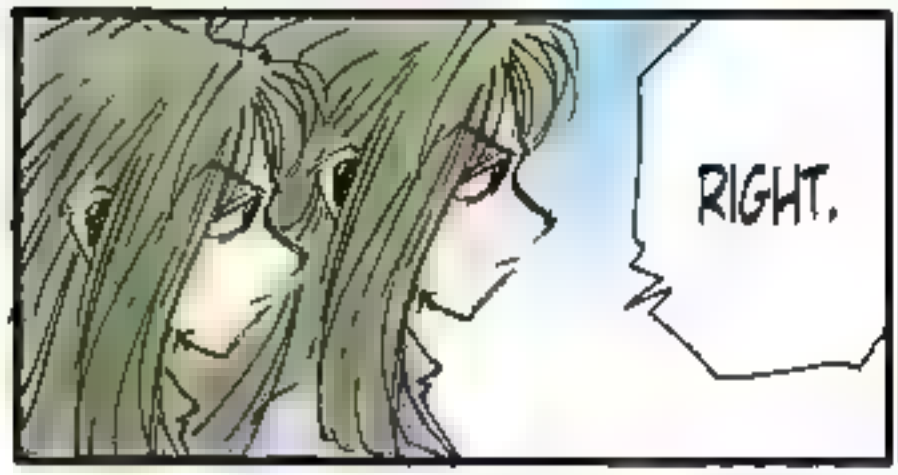
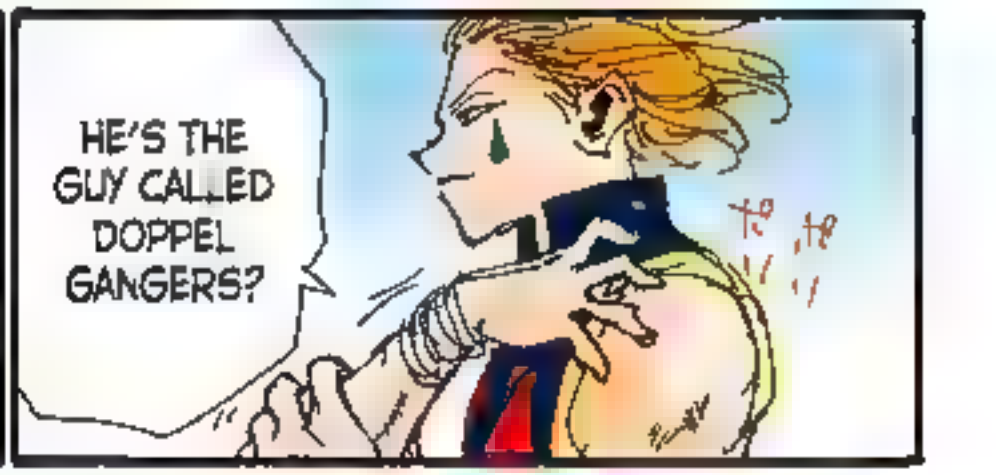








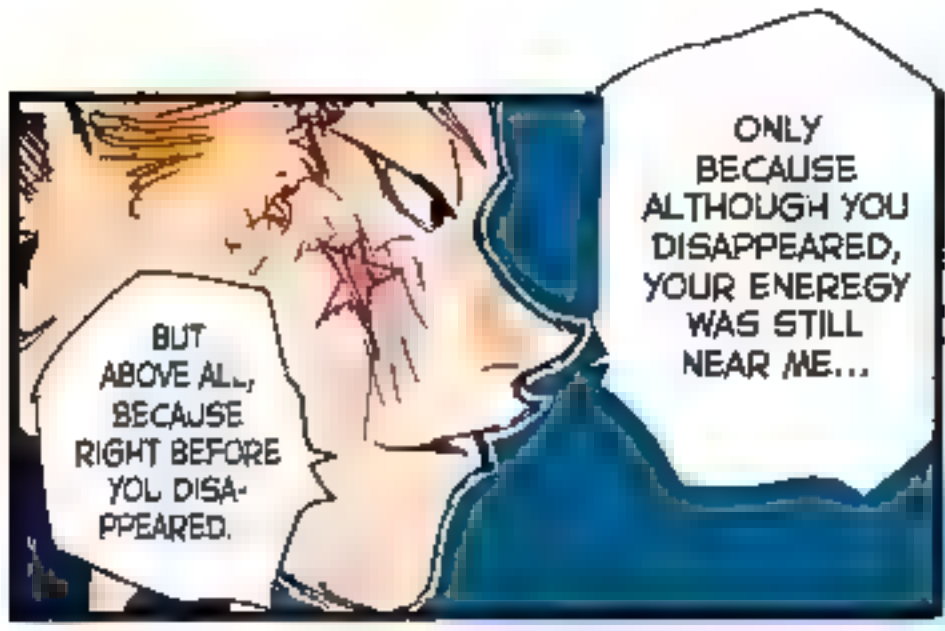
Reference book: encyclopedia of super-natural appartions (Choujougens Ho no Jigen) Edition seido.

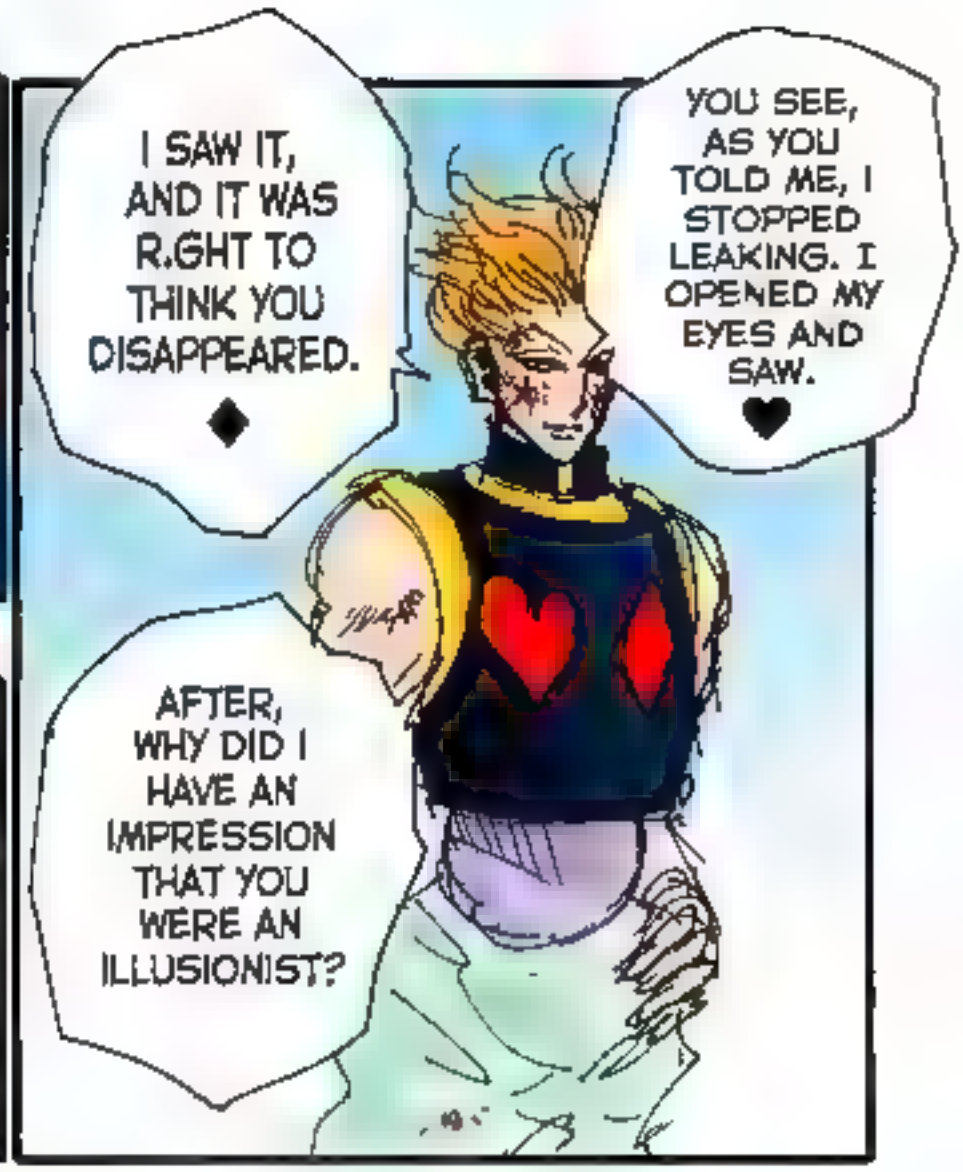
Some cases were registered where the doubled does not only appear in the eyes Of the Original, But also at the same time to a tenth of the people he knows well, or some other cases where he gives some diverse in formation to the original. But more importantly, there are Cases when we would have stabbed and killed a women.

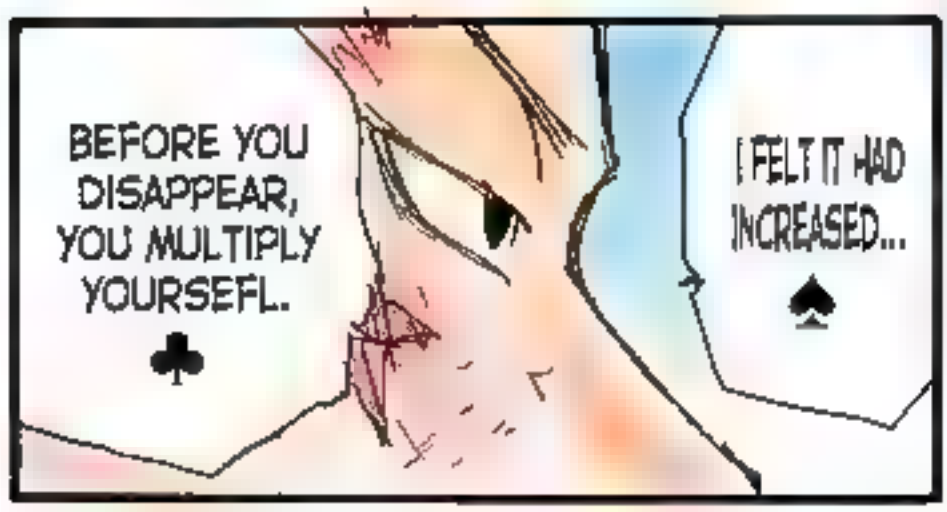
So, he deduces that the double took some energy to the Original and Appeared.

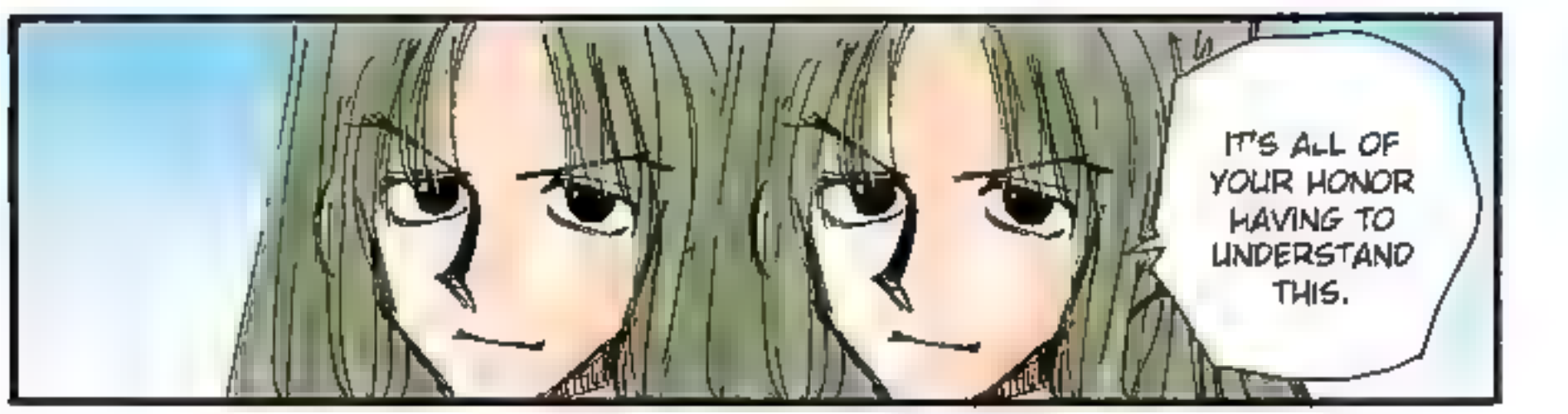
the particularity of the doppelganger is that when we have a very strong feeling of exhaustion or headache, it disappears if our double disappears too.

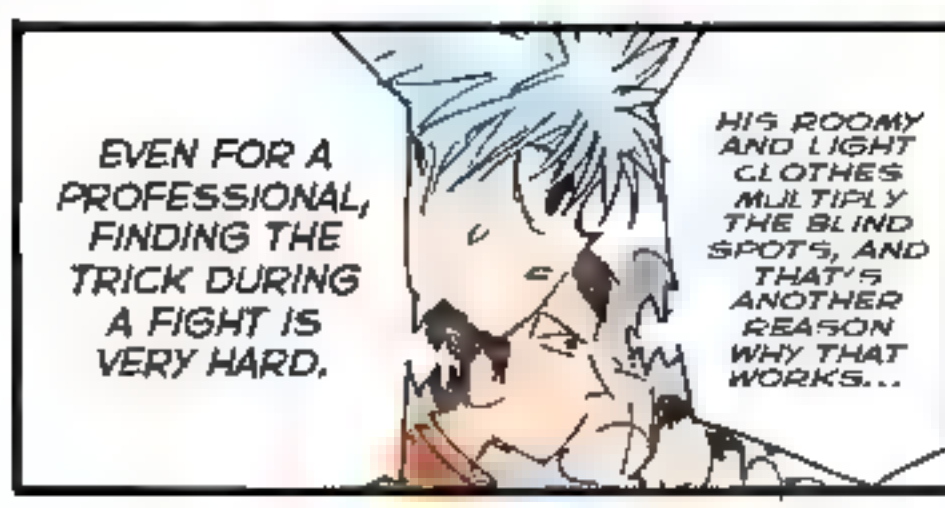
In general that's how we refer to the apparition of a second him. (A double)

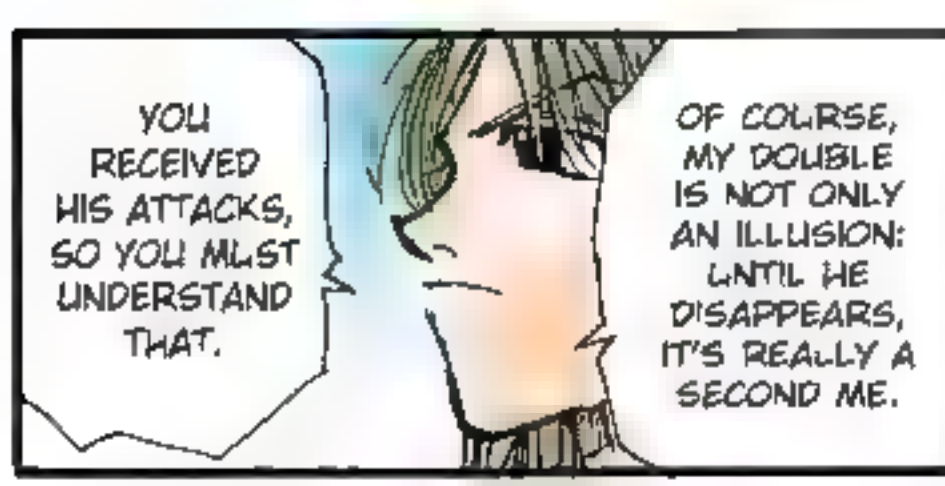

BUT ABOVE ALL, BECAUSE RIGHT BEFORE YOU DISA-PPEARED.
ONLY BECAUSE ALTHOUGH YOU DISAPPEARED, YOUR ENEREGY WAS STILL NEAR ME...

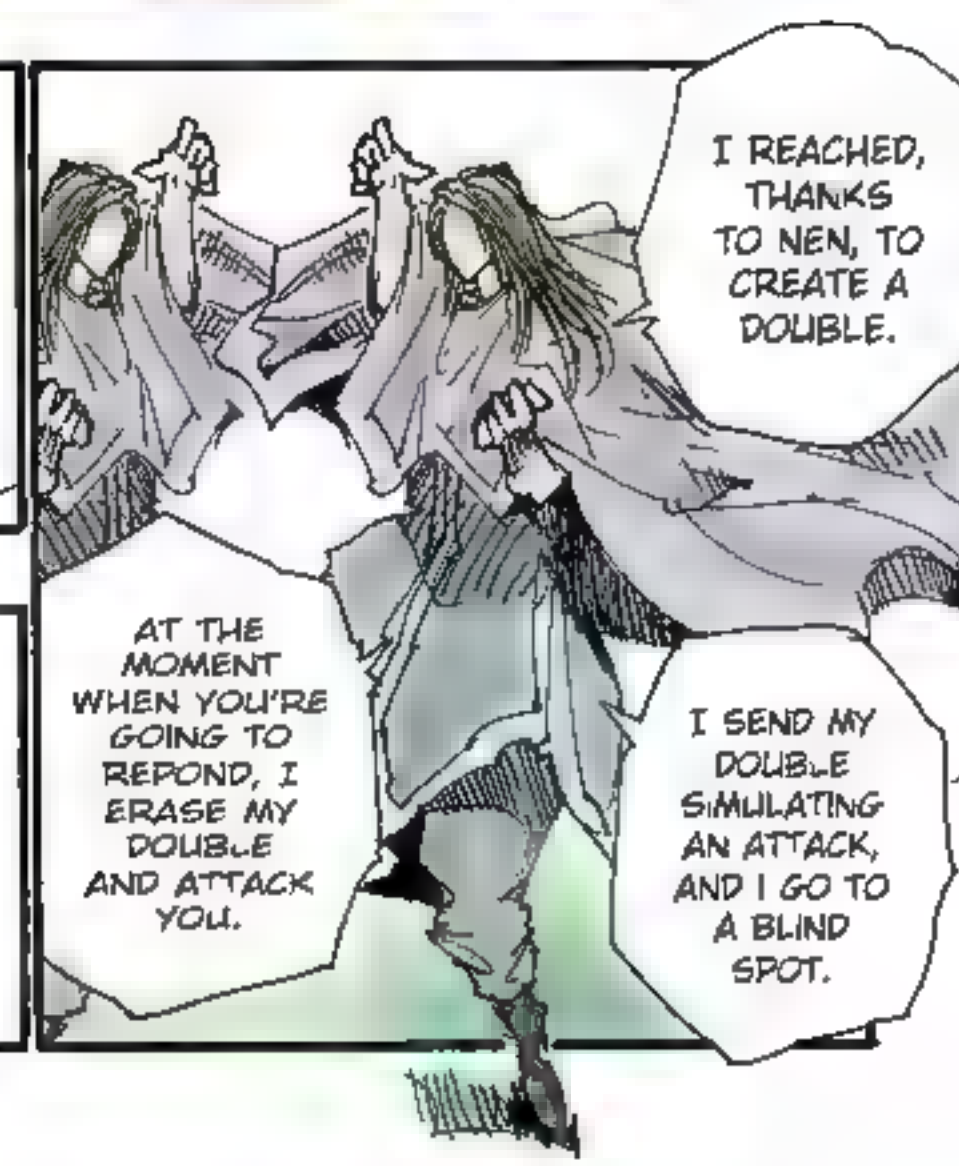

I SAW IT, AND IT WAS R.GHT TO THINK YOU DISAPPEARED. ♦
YOU SEE, AS YOU TOLD ME, I STOPPED LEAKING. I OPENED MY EYES AND SAW. ♥
AFTER, WHY DID I HAVE AN IMPRESSION THAT YOU WERE AN ILLUSIONIST?


BEFORE YOU DISAPPEAR, YOU MULTIPLY YOURSEFL. ♣
I FELT IT HAD INCREASED... ♠


IT'S ALL OF YOUR HONOR HAVING TO UNDERSTAND THIS.


EVEN FOR A PROFESSIONAL, FINDING THE TRICK DURING A FIGHT IS VERY HARD.
HIS ROOMY AND LIGHT CLOTHES MULTIPLY THE BLIND SPOTS, AND THAT'S ANOTHER REASON WHY THAT WORKS...


YOU RECEIVED HIS ATTACKS, SO YOU MLST UNDERSTAND THAT.
OF COURSE, MY DOUBLE IS NOT ONLY AN ILLUSION: LNTIL HE DISAPPEARS, IT'S REALLY A SECOND ME.


I REACHED, THANKS TO NEN, TO CREATE A DOUBLE.
AT THE MOMENT WHEN YOU'RE GOING TO REPOND, I ERASE MY DOUBLE AND ATTACK YOU.
I SEND MY DOUBLE SIMULATING AN ATTACK, AND I GO TO A BLIND SPOT.

WILL YOU STILL ACT ARROGANT?

I'M GONNA TAKE YOUR LEFT ARM

YOU'LL SEE WHAT NEN HELPED ME CREATE. THE TRUE TIGER CLAW!

IN OTHER WORDS, YOU'LL HAVE TO FIGHT AGAINST TWO OF MYSELF.

I GAVE IT A NAME: "THE TRUE TIGER CLAW!!"

MAYBE...

AND NOTICE THAT KASTRO DIDN'T LOOK TOO FAR FOR THAT NAME!!

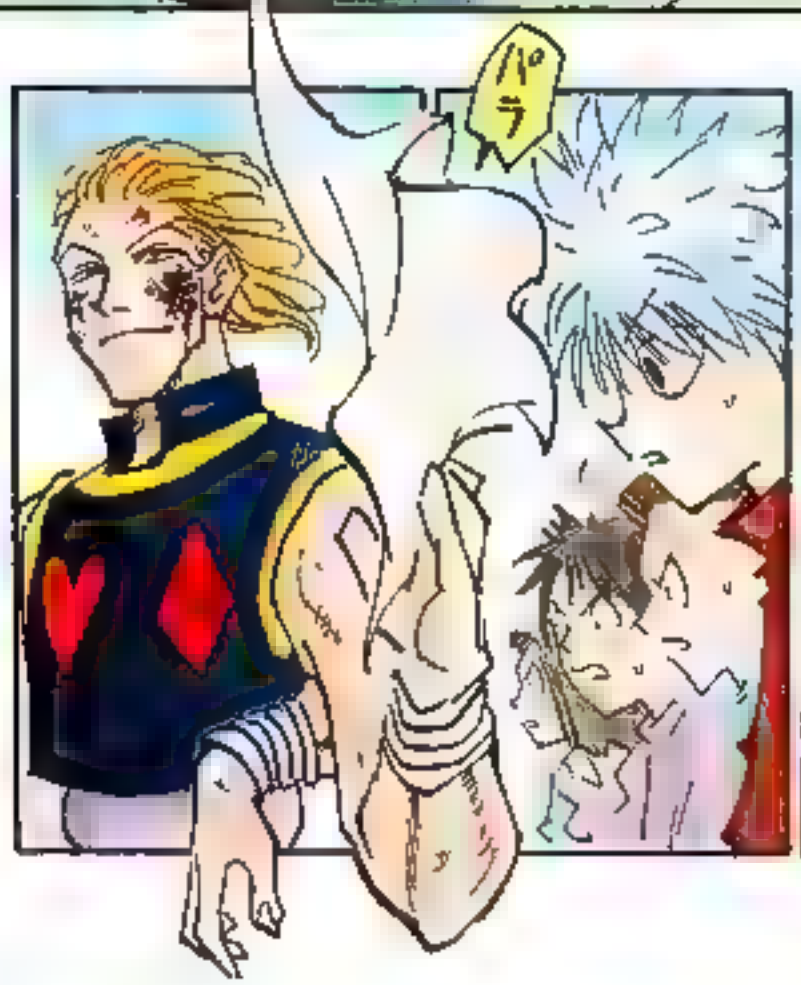
IT WOULD EVEN GIVE ME THE ENVY OF BEGINNING...

COLOR KILLUA!

No.054 ◆ CAUSE OF DEFEAT

THE ENVY OF BEGINNING.

IT WOULD EVEN GIVE ME...



HISOKA HAS HIDDEN HIS ARM IN A SCARF!!
SHALL I SHOW MY SKILLS OF A SEER?
No.054
CAUSE OF DEFEAT

OHH! THE ARM HAS DISAPPEARED AND NOW THERE ARE CARDS FLYING IN THE AIR!!
WHAT WILL HE DO NOW?
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CHOOSE A FIGURED ON A CARD AND MEMORIZE IT.
THEN MULTIPLY IT BY 2.
WHEN IT'S OKAY, ADD 4 TO IT.
ARE YOU READY?

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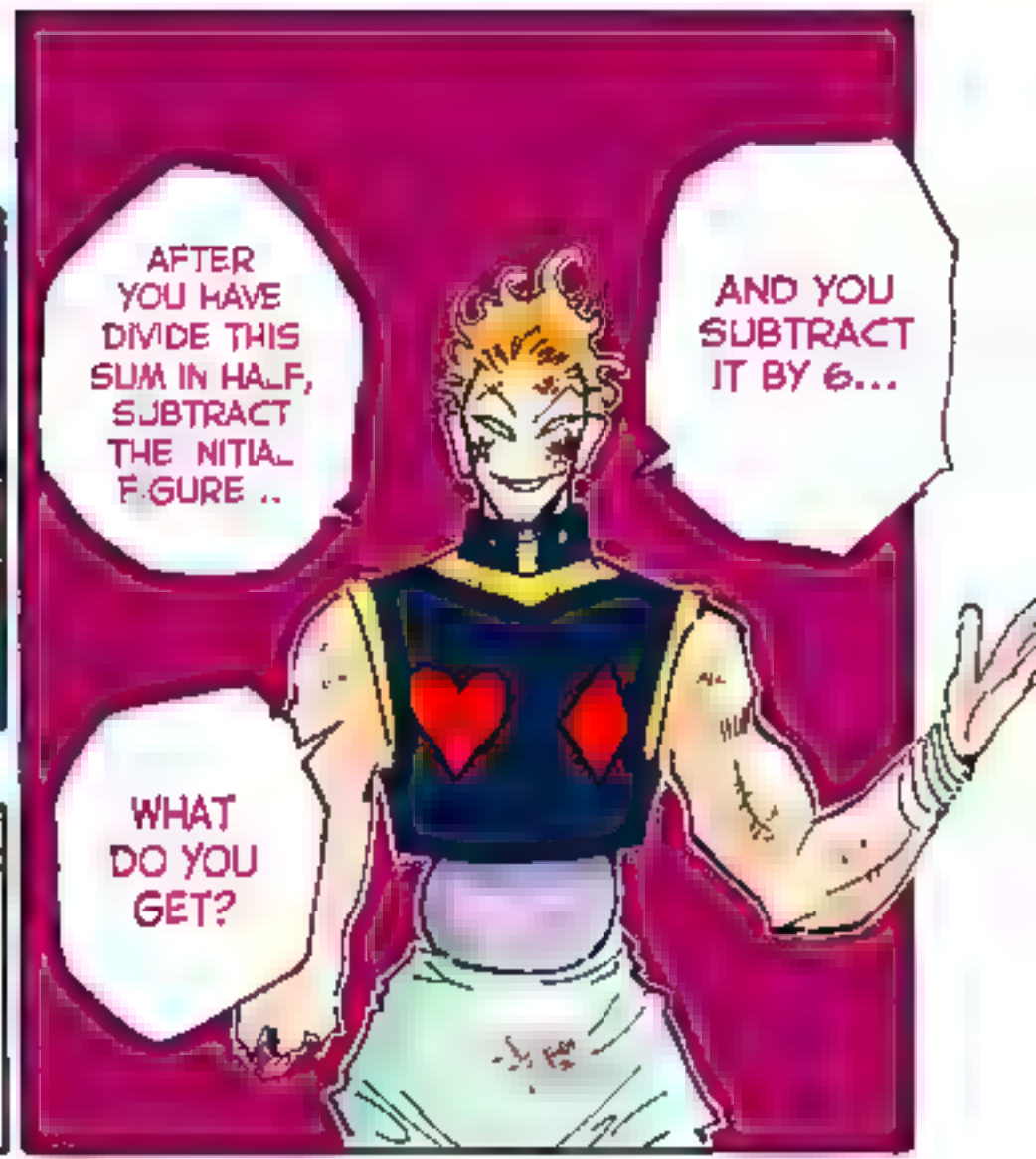
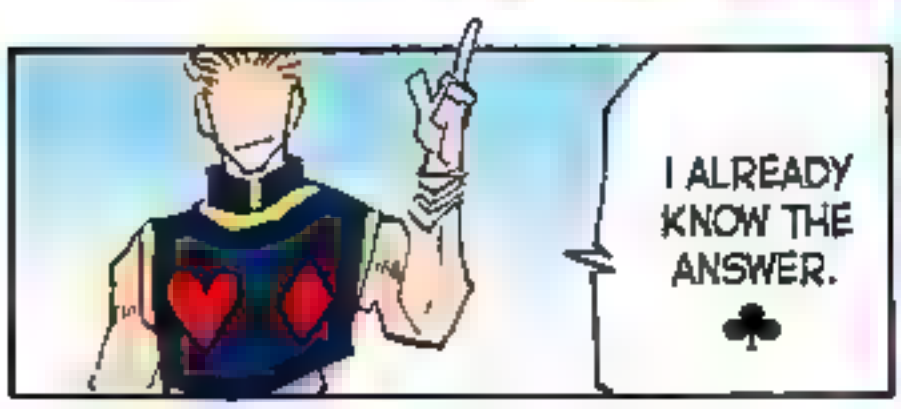
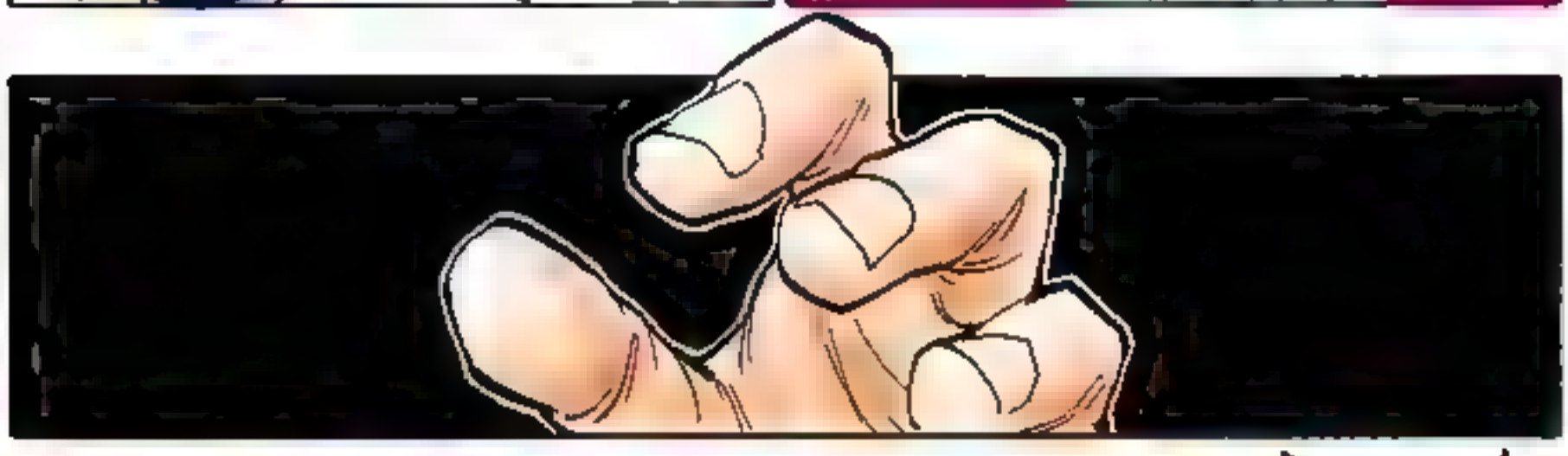
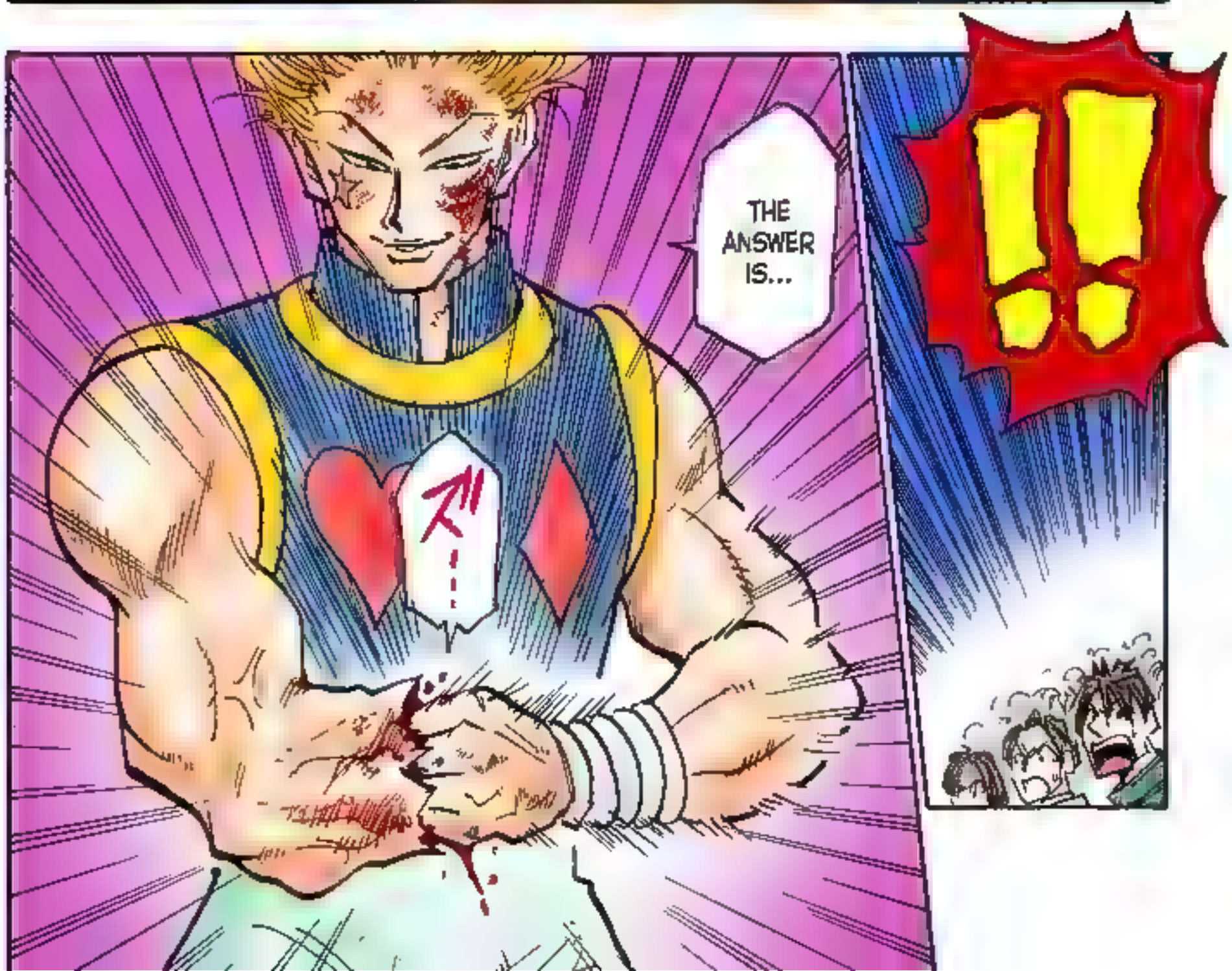
SUBTRACT 6...
DIVIDE BY 2...


AFTER YOU HAVE DIVIDE THIS SUM IN HALF, SUBTRACT THE INITIAL FIGURE ..
AND YOU SUBTRACT IT BY 6...
WHAT DO YOU GET?


I ALREADY KNOW THE ANSWER.




THE ANSWER IS...
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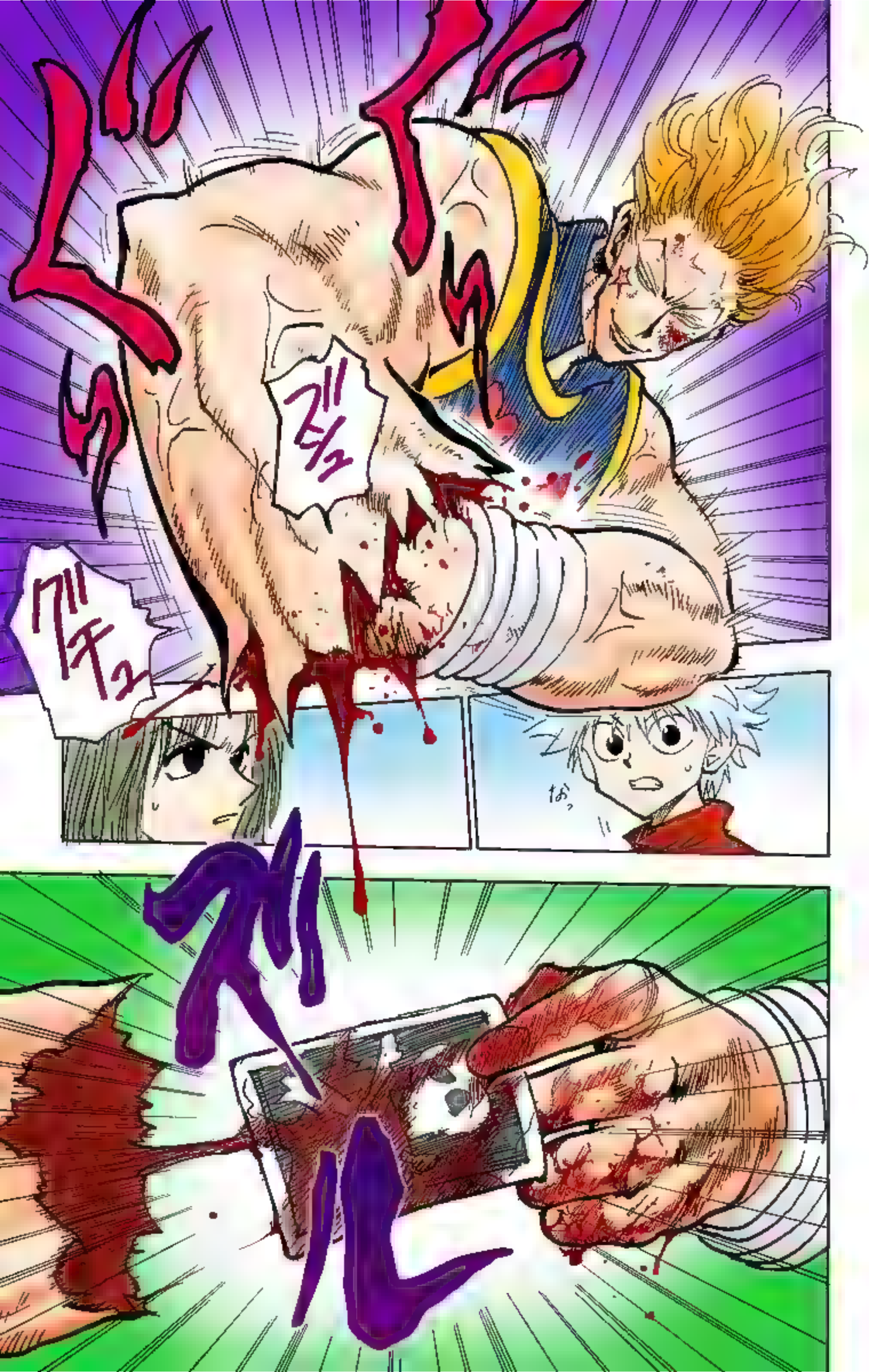
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How?!
That's It!
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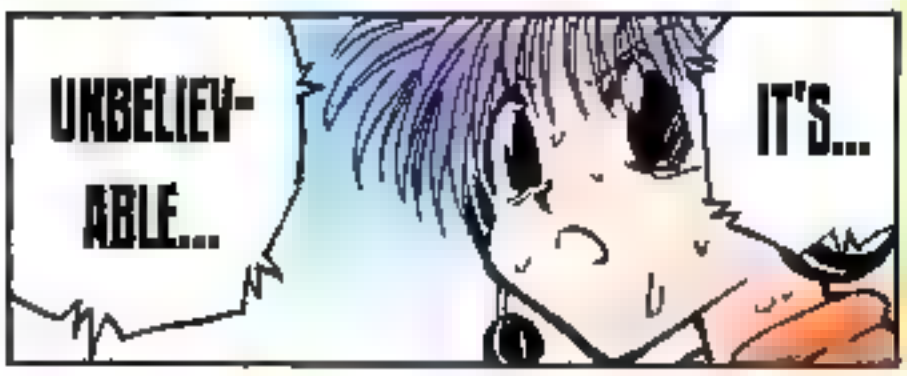

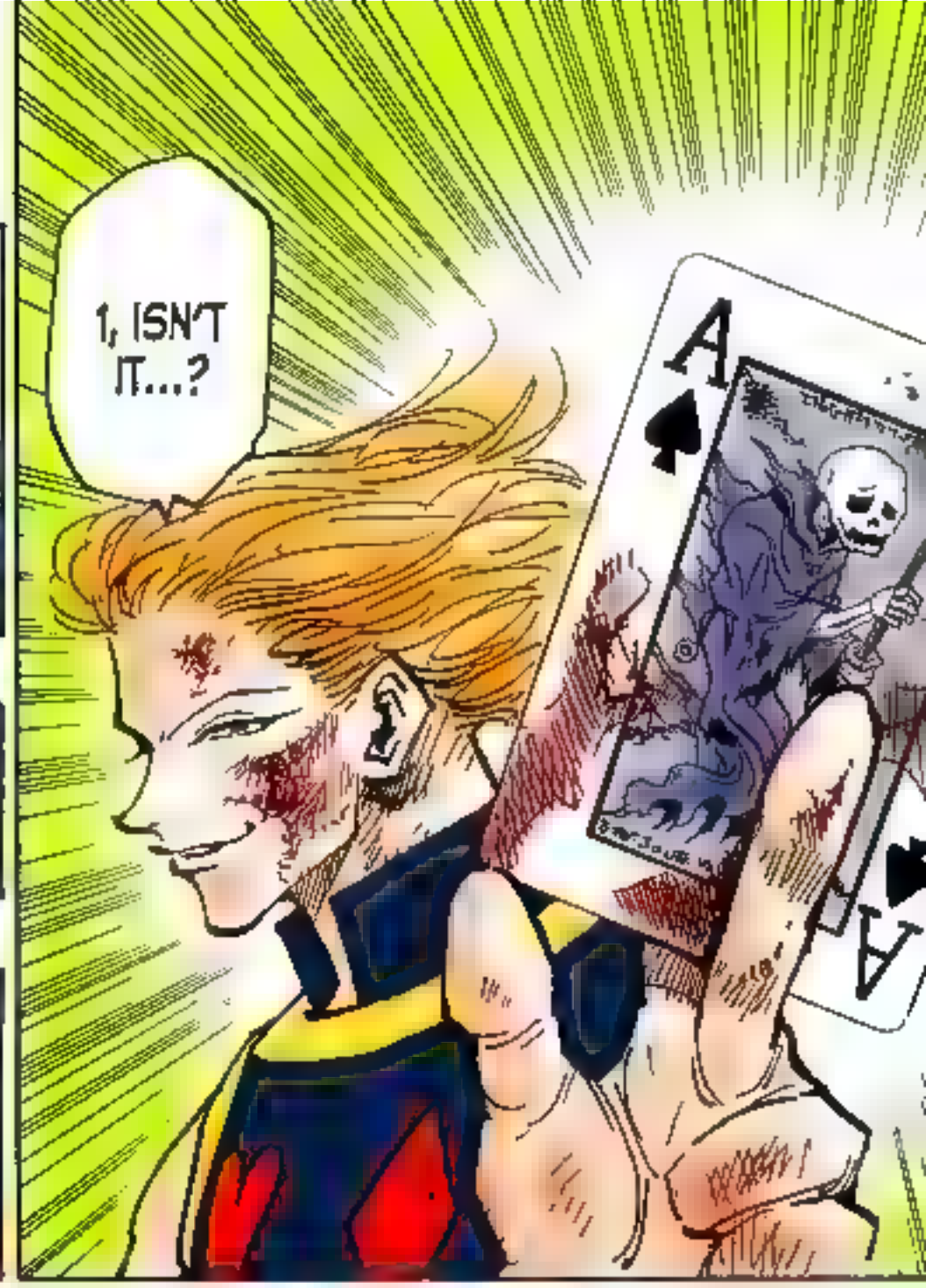

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BUT THERE'S EVEN MORE INSANITY!! HIS TOUR IS EVIL!! THE CARD WAS HIDDEN IN HIS OWN WOUNDS!!
HE DOESN'T EARN ANY POINTS FOR THIS!! IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE MATCH!! THE CRAZINESS OF HISOKA TAKES AN UNEXPECTED PROPORTION!!
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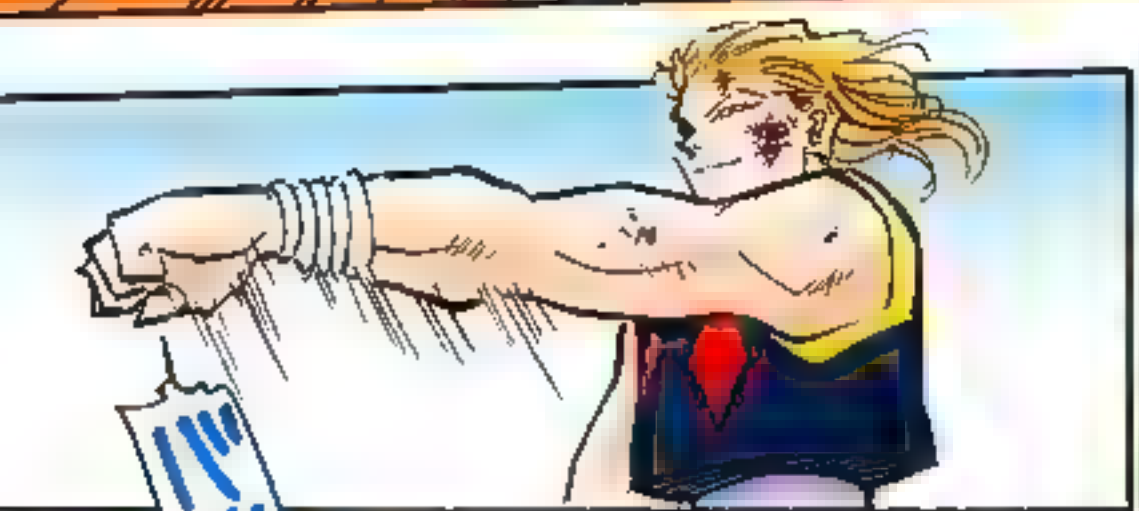
WHAT'S WITH HIS ARROGANCE ...?!
WHAT DOES HE MEAN?!

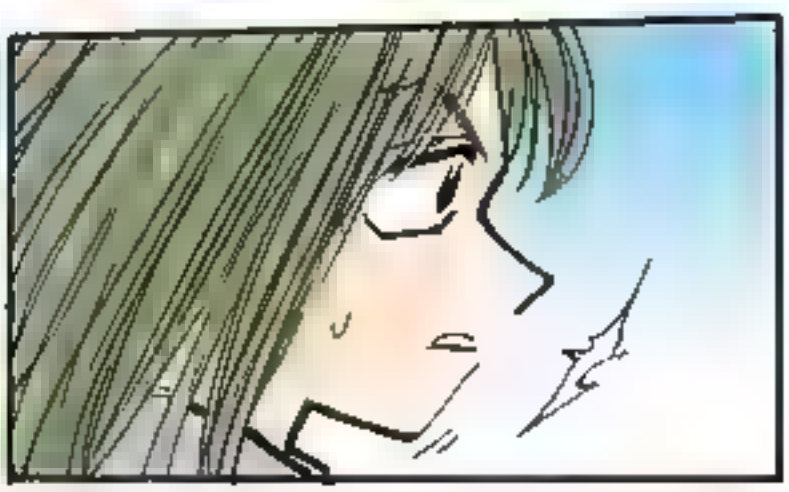
OOHH! ONE OF THE TWO KASTROS HAS RUSHED TOWARDS KISOKA WITH FURY!!

CUT HIS LEFT ARM !!!

YOU'VE GONE TOO FAR...

BELIEVE ME, YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO TRY ANOTHER JOKE LIKE THAT.





THEN I'LL TAKE IT!!

I ALREADY TOLD YOU.

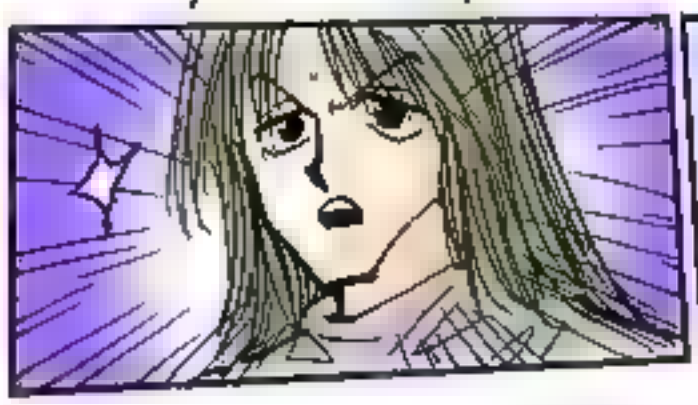
YOU CAN HAVE THE CARD.

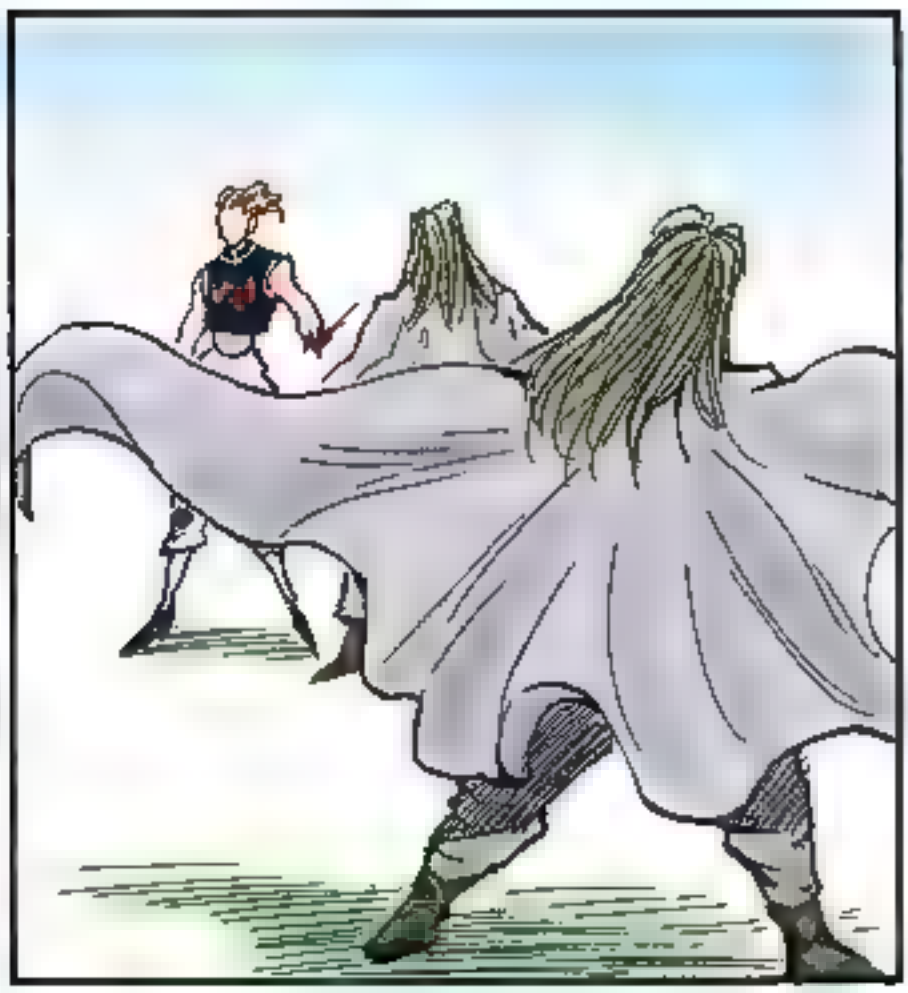
HOLY COW!

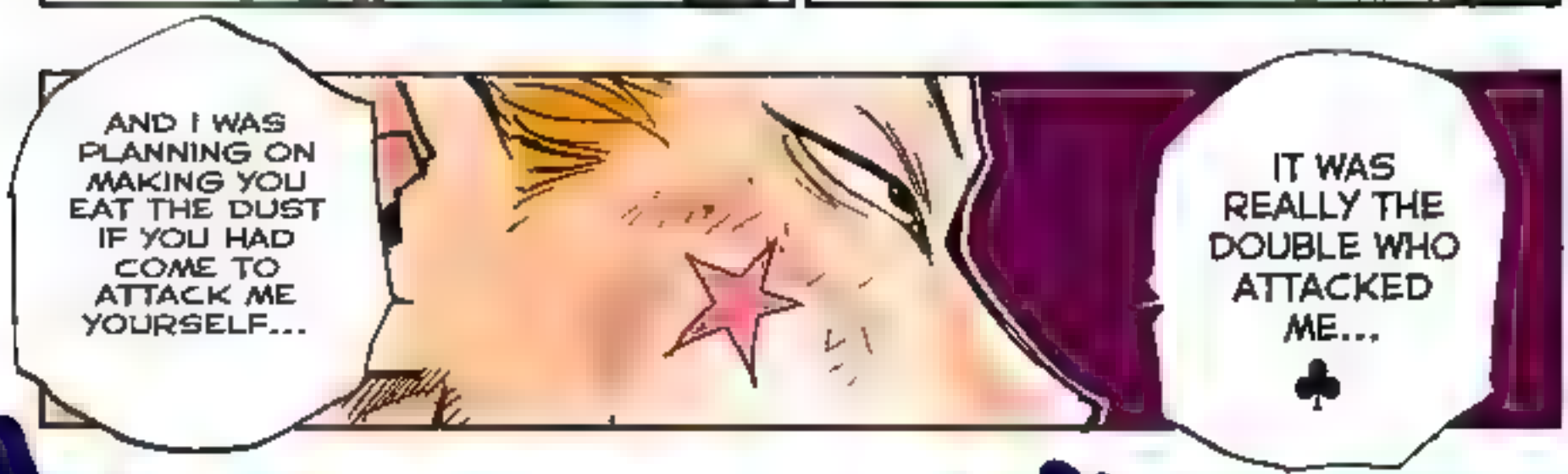
OH MY!

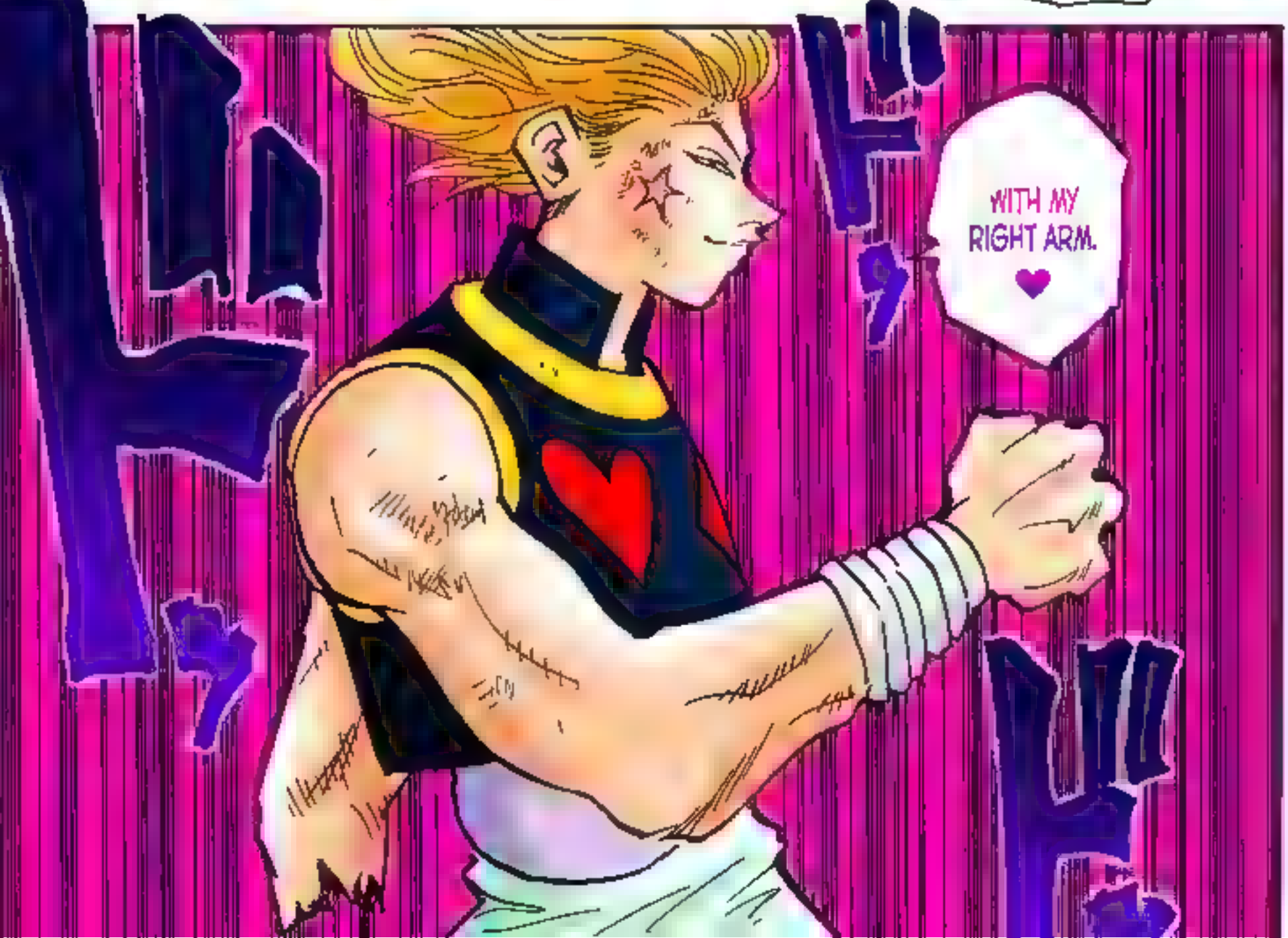
BUT HAS HE BECOME A COMPLETE IDIOT?!!

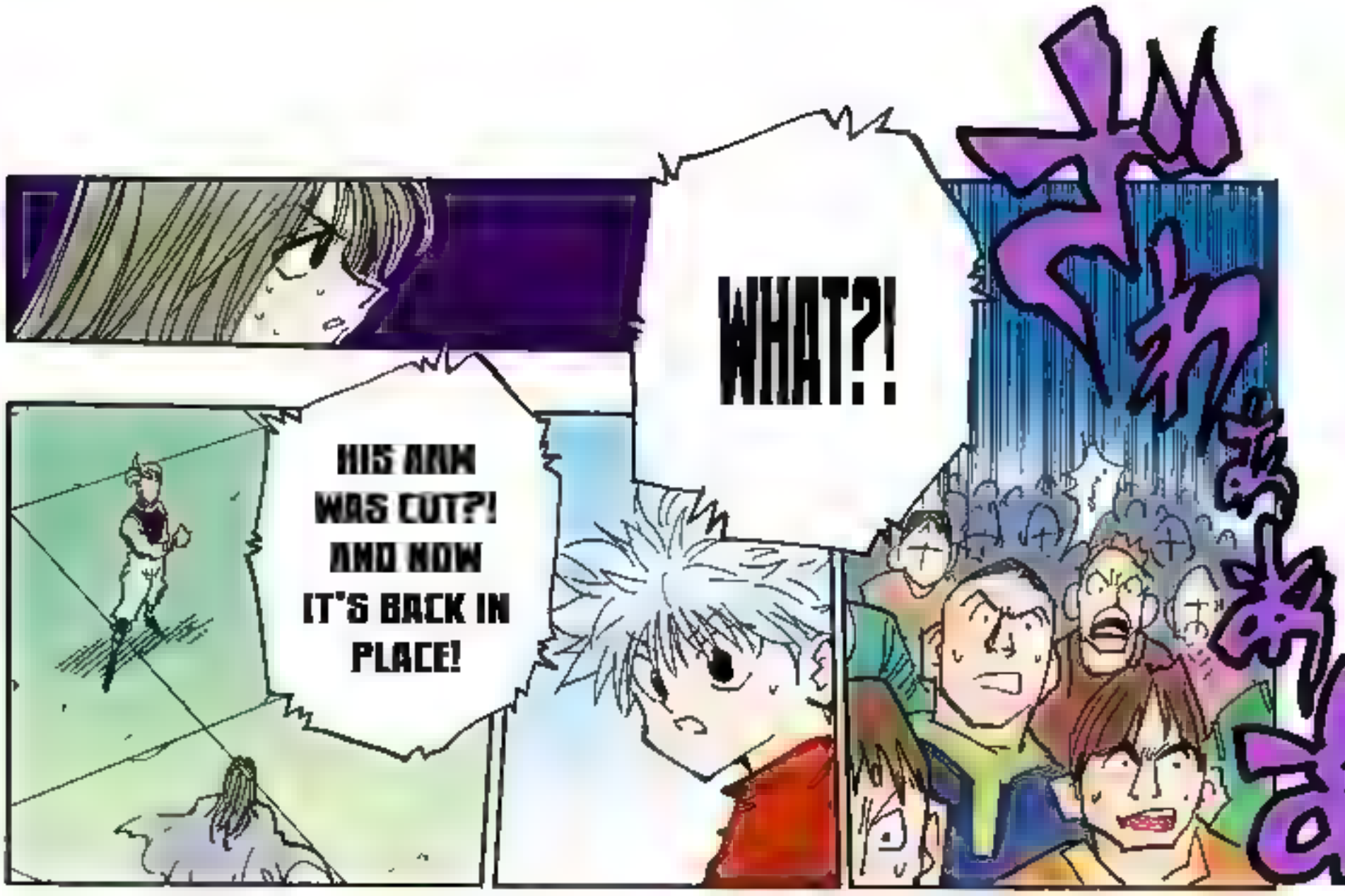
HISOKA HAS EXTENDED HIS REMAINING ARM TO KASTRO!!






AND I WAS PLANNING ON MAKING YOU EAT THE DUST IF YOU HAD COME TO ATTACK ME YOURSELF...
IT WAS REALLY THE DOUBLE WHO ATTACKED ME...


WITH MY RIGHT ARM.


WHAT?!
HIS ARM WAS CUT?! AND NOW IT'S BACK IN PLACE!

SO? WHERE'S THE TRICK?
HEHE! THAT'S ALSO ONE OF MY TRICKS.

ARE YOU SCARED?
HEHE! WHAT'S HAPPENING TO YOU?

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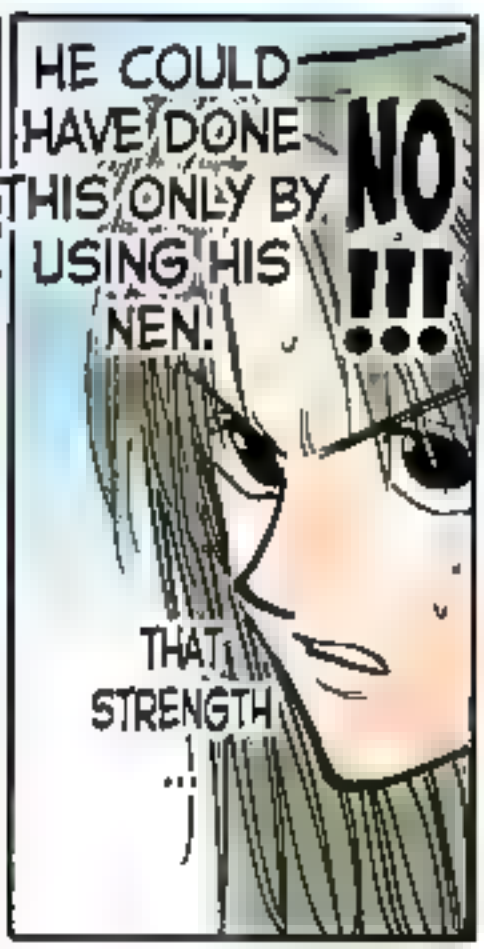

HE COULD HAVE DONE THIS ONLY BY USING HIS NEN.
NO!!!
THAT STRENGTH...

THAT'S THE BASIS OF MAGIC. ♣

YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND THE TR CK AND YOU'RE SURPRISED...

YOU COULD HAVE BECOME A SKILLED FIGHTER...

WHAT A PITY. ♠

IT'S ONLY BECAUSE OF THIS THAT I LET YOU LIVE LAST TIME.

SO, I WON'T HAVE ANY PROBLEMS ANYMORE IMAGINING WHAT ATTACKS YOU'LL USE NEXT ♣

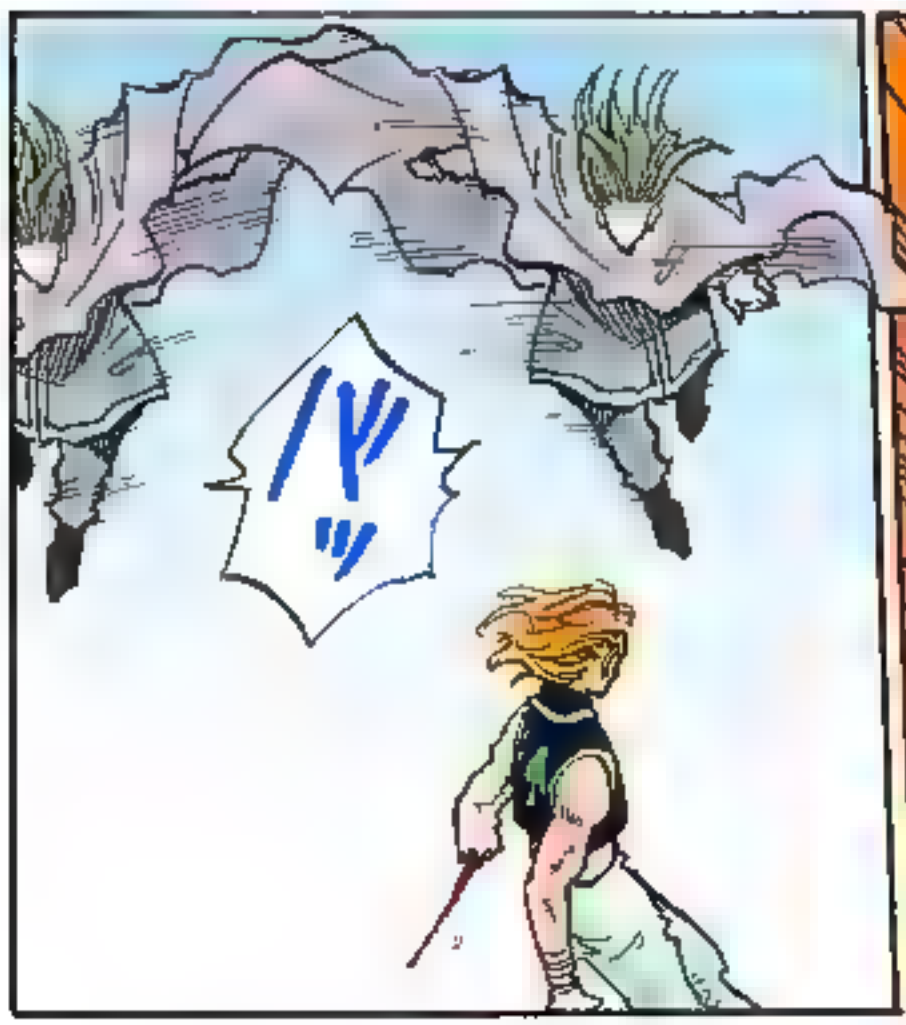
SAME FOR THE APPRO-PRIATE RIPOSTE. ♥

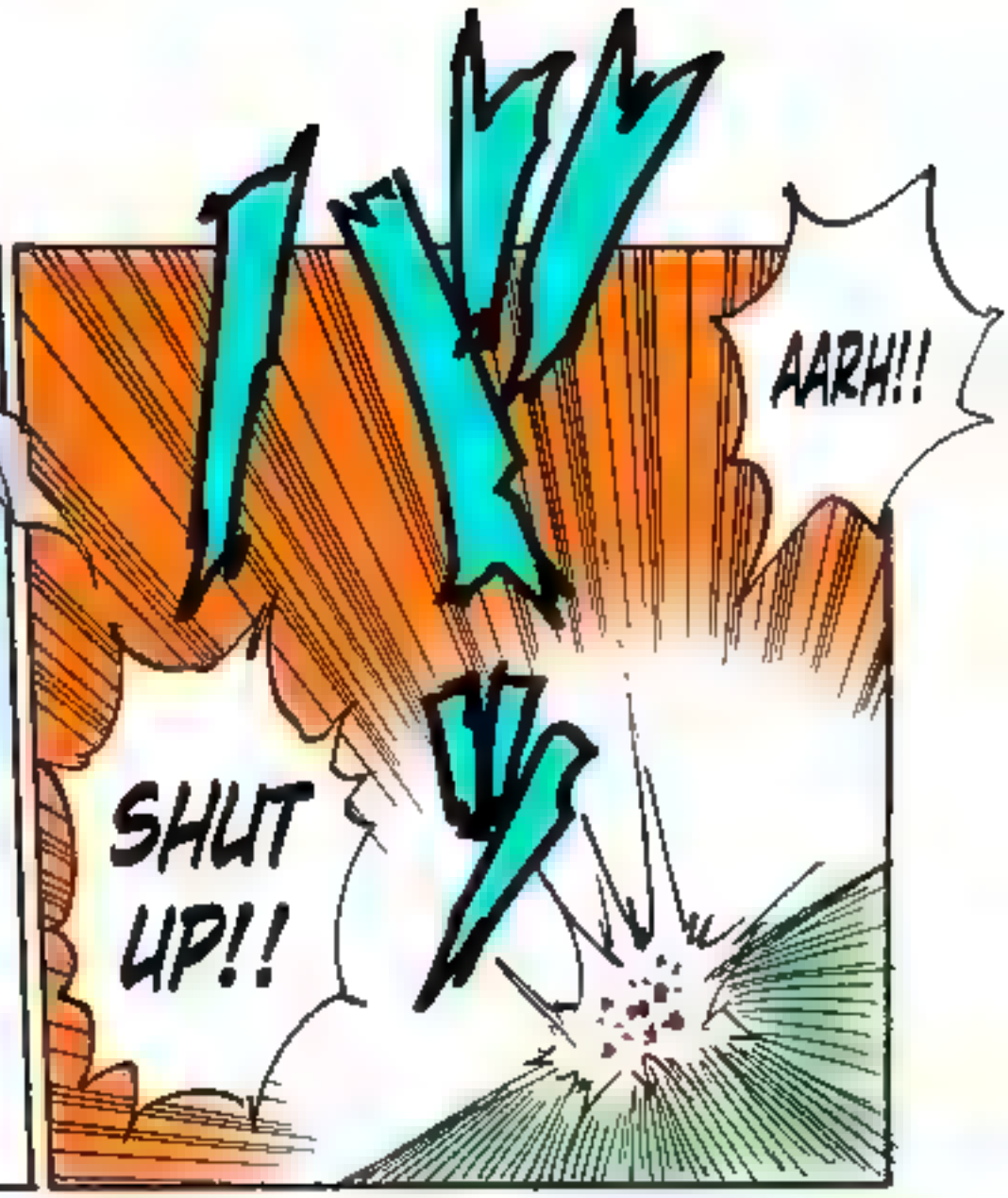
THE STRENGTH YOU HAVE TO CREATE YOUR DOUBLE S WONDERFUL. ♦

BUT UNDERSTAND THE TR CK. ♠

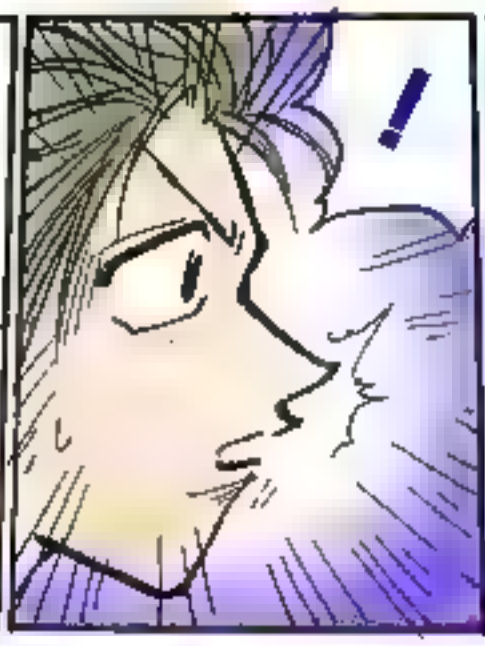
YOU'RE GOING TO SINK INTO INSANITY AND DIE. ♠

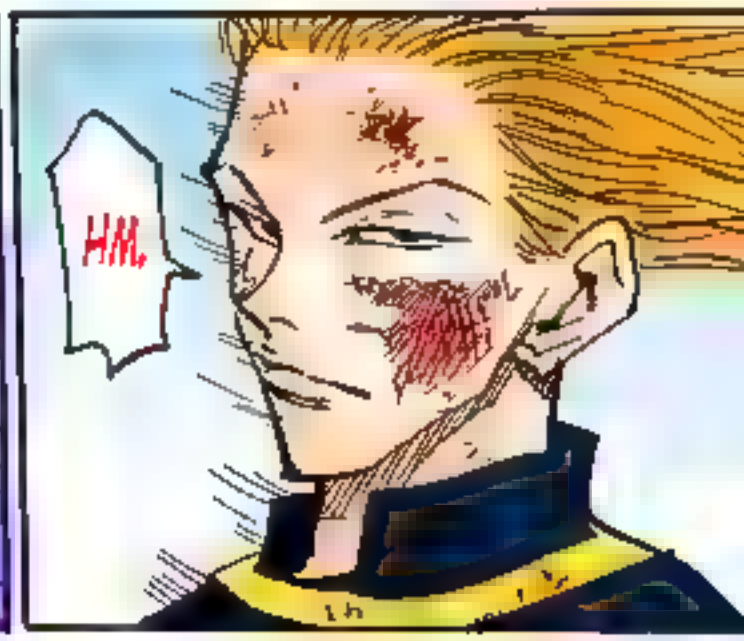
A SMALL PREDICTION ...




AARH!!
SHUT UP!!

HOW DID HE KNOW?!

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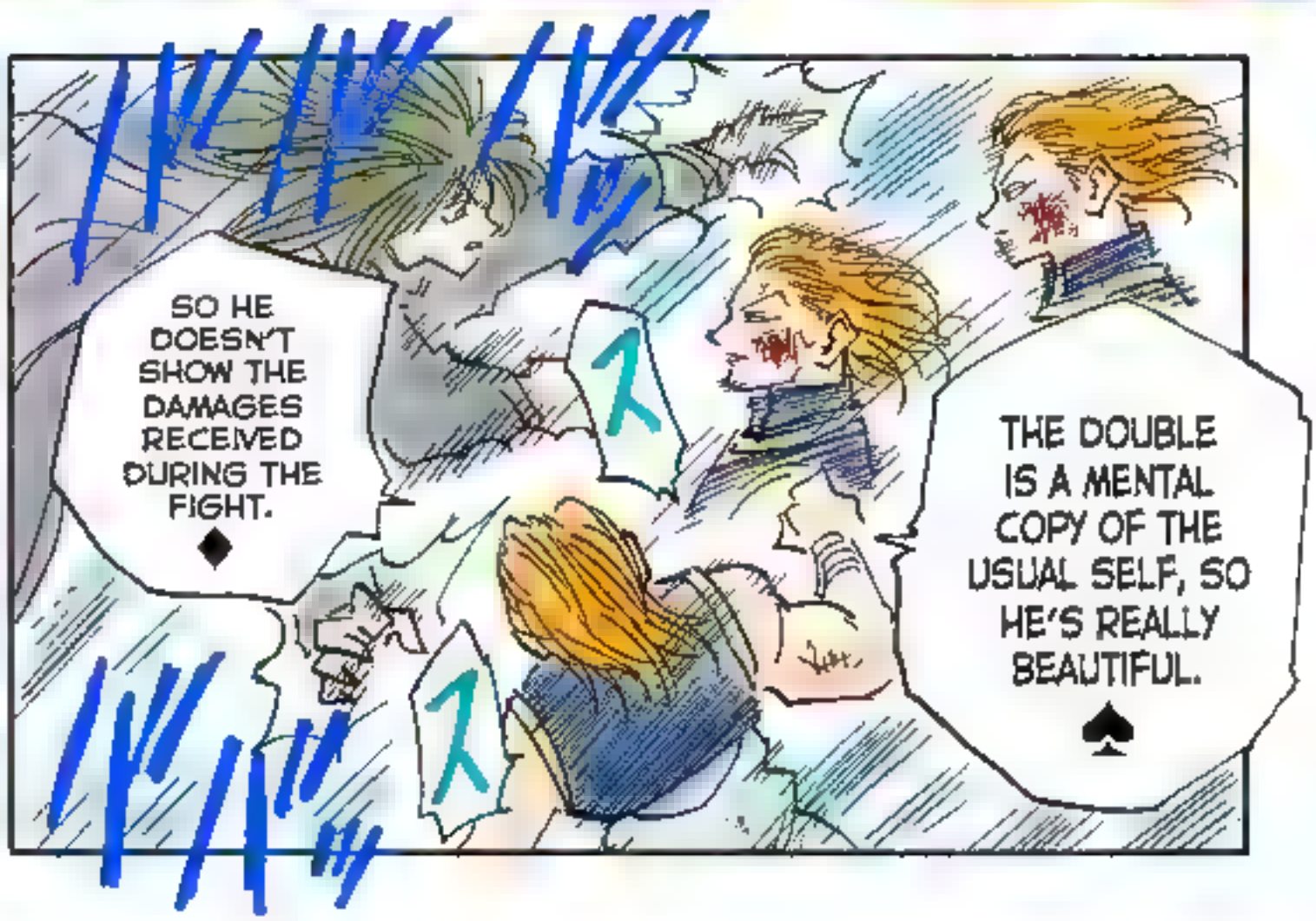
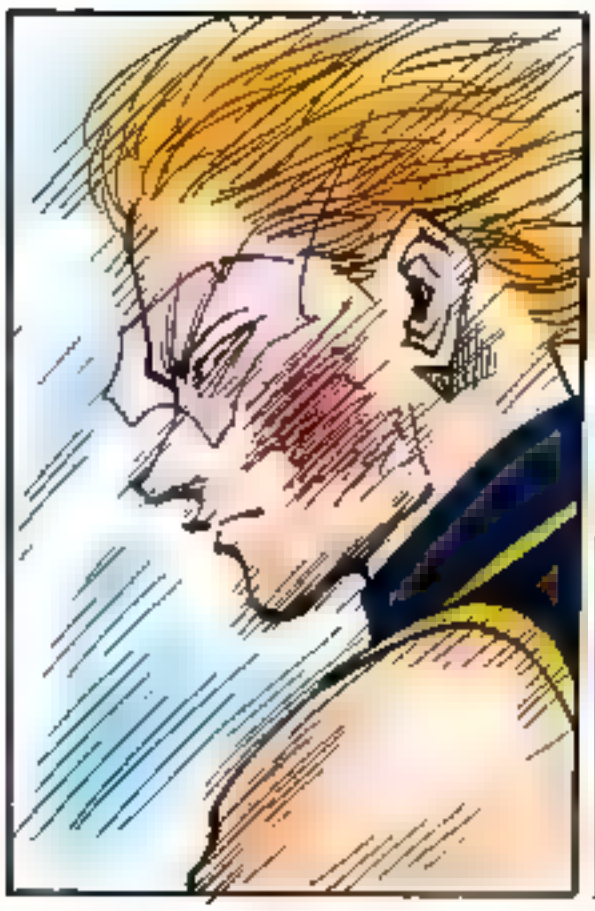
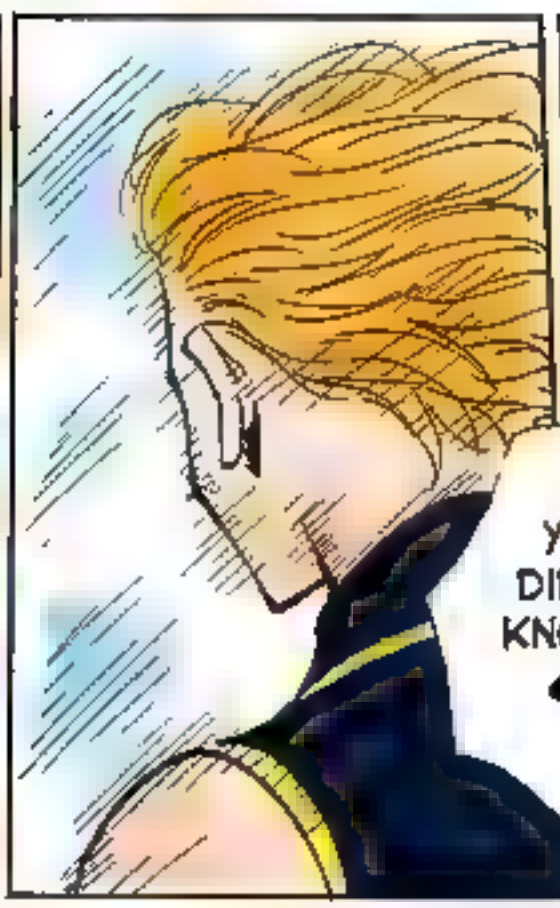
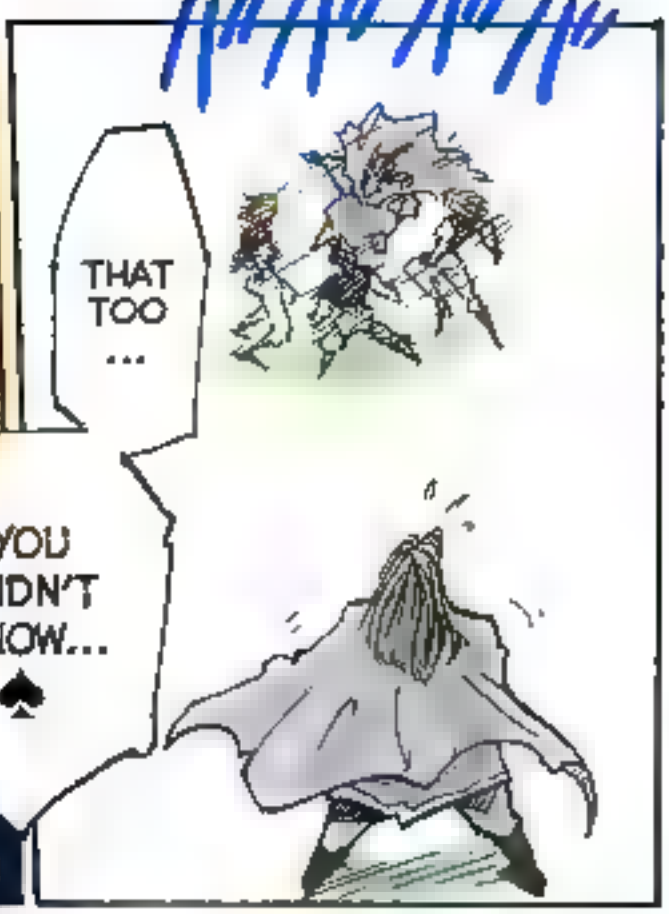
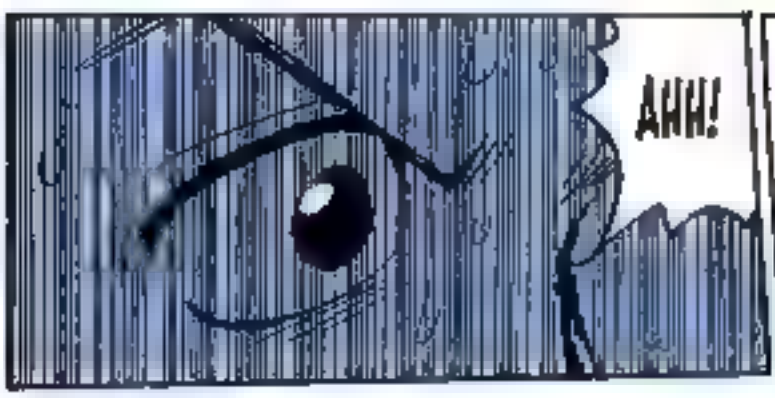
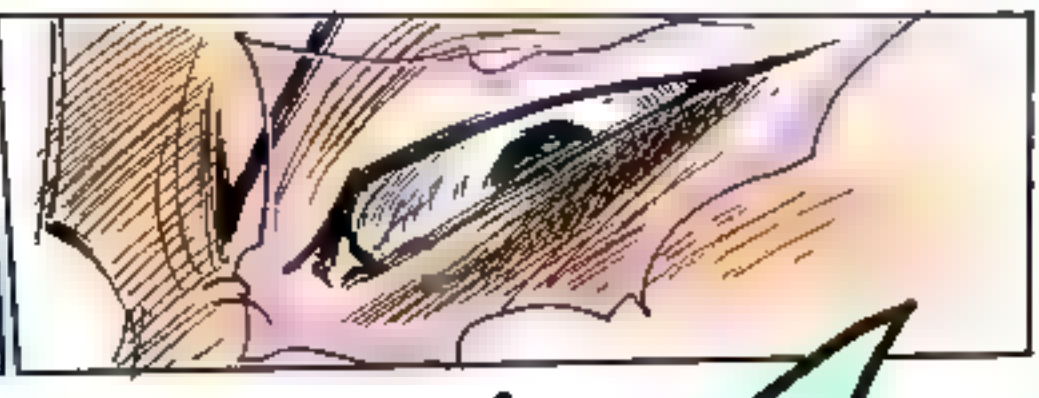

SO HE DOESN'T SHOW THE DAMAGES RECEIVED DURING THE FIGHT. ◆
THE DOUBLE IS A MENTAL COPY OF THE USUAL SELF, SO HE'S REALLY BEAUTIFUL. ♠




YOU DIDN'T KNOW...


THAT TOO ...


AHH!



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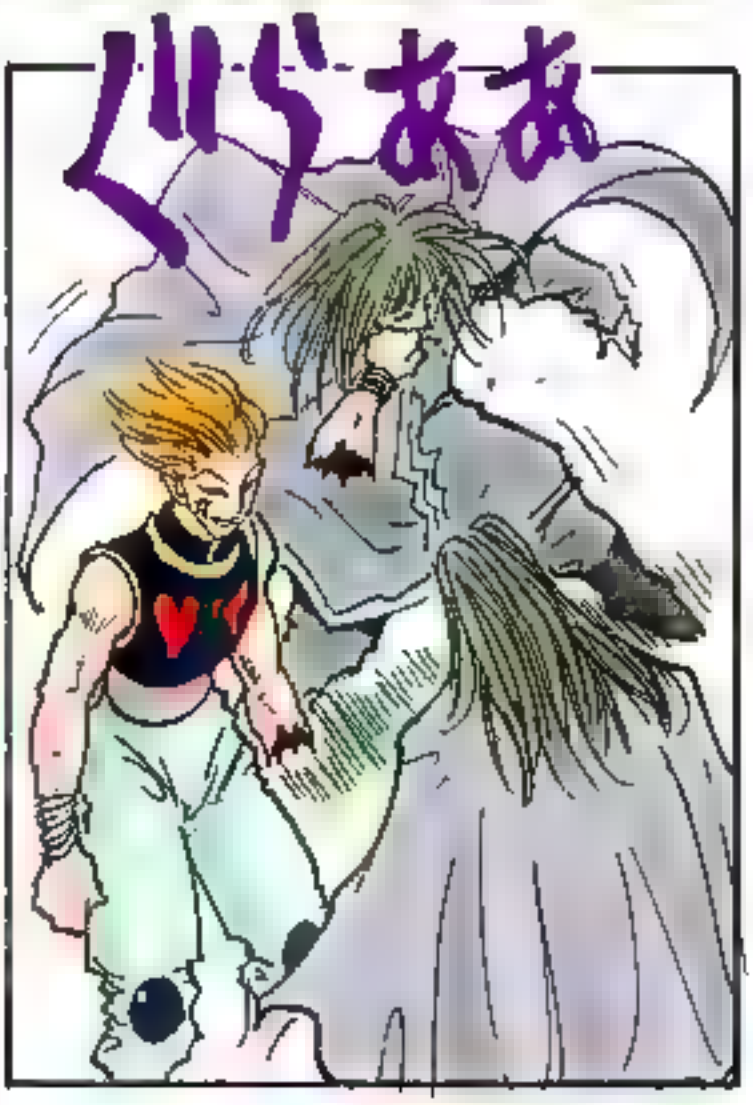
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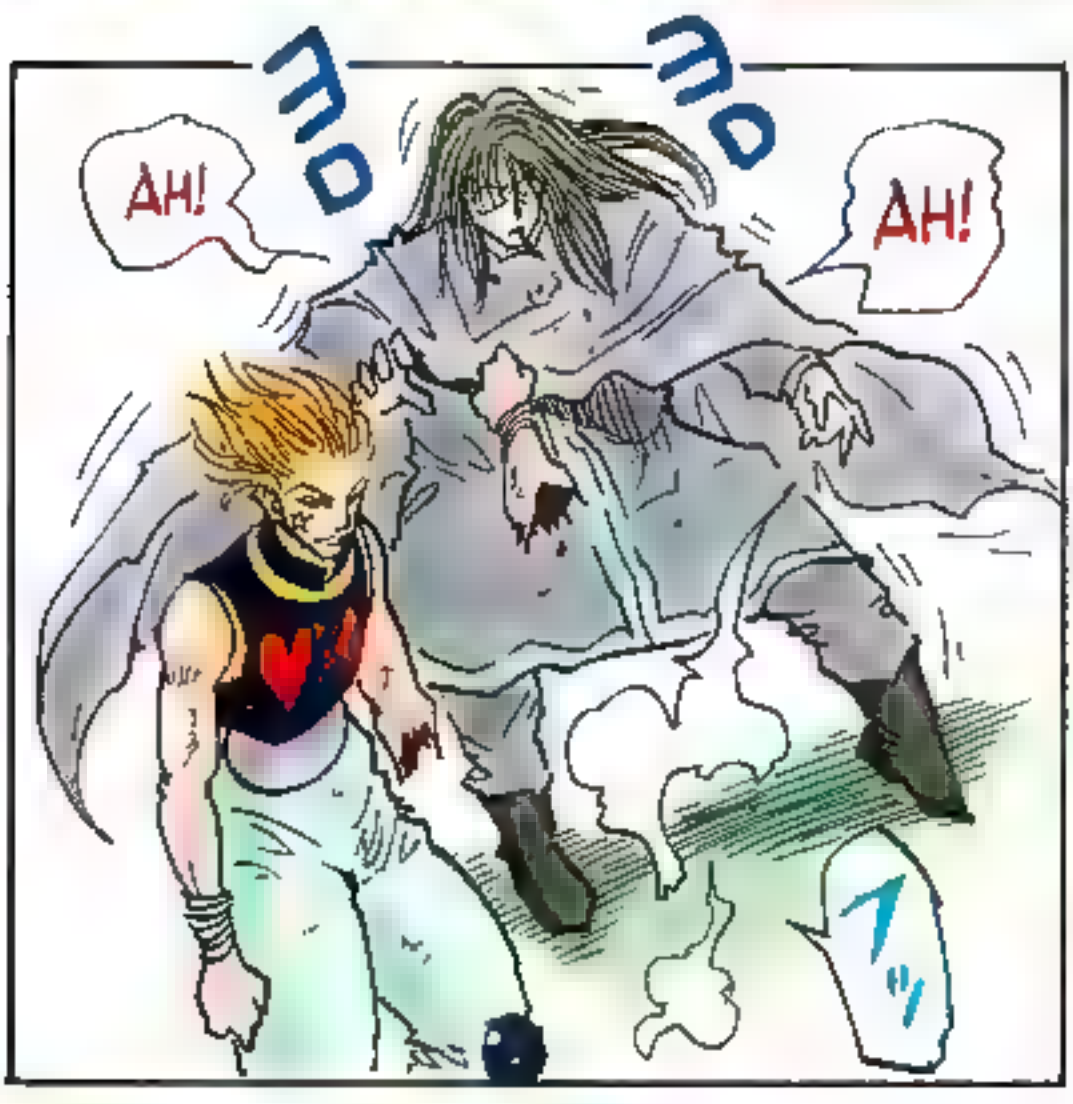
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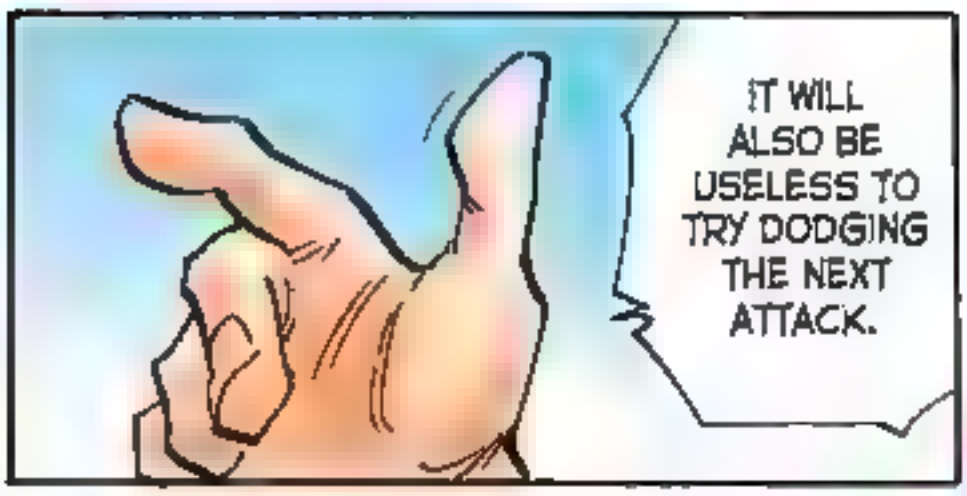
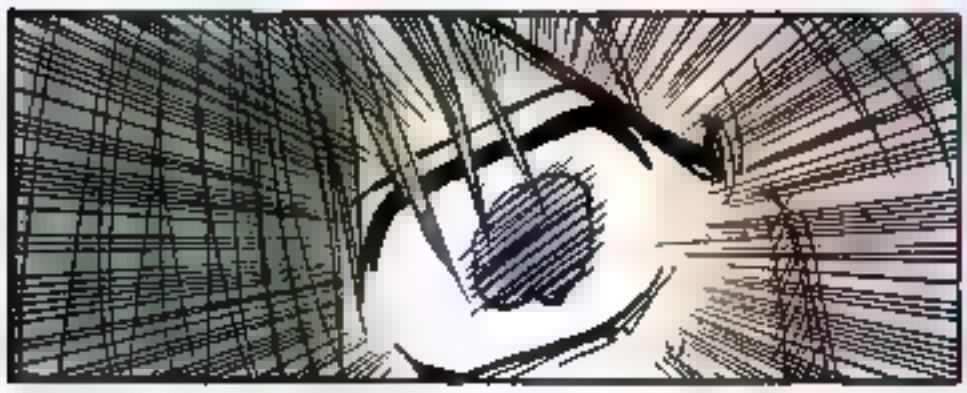
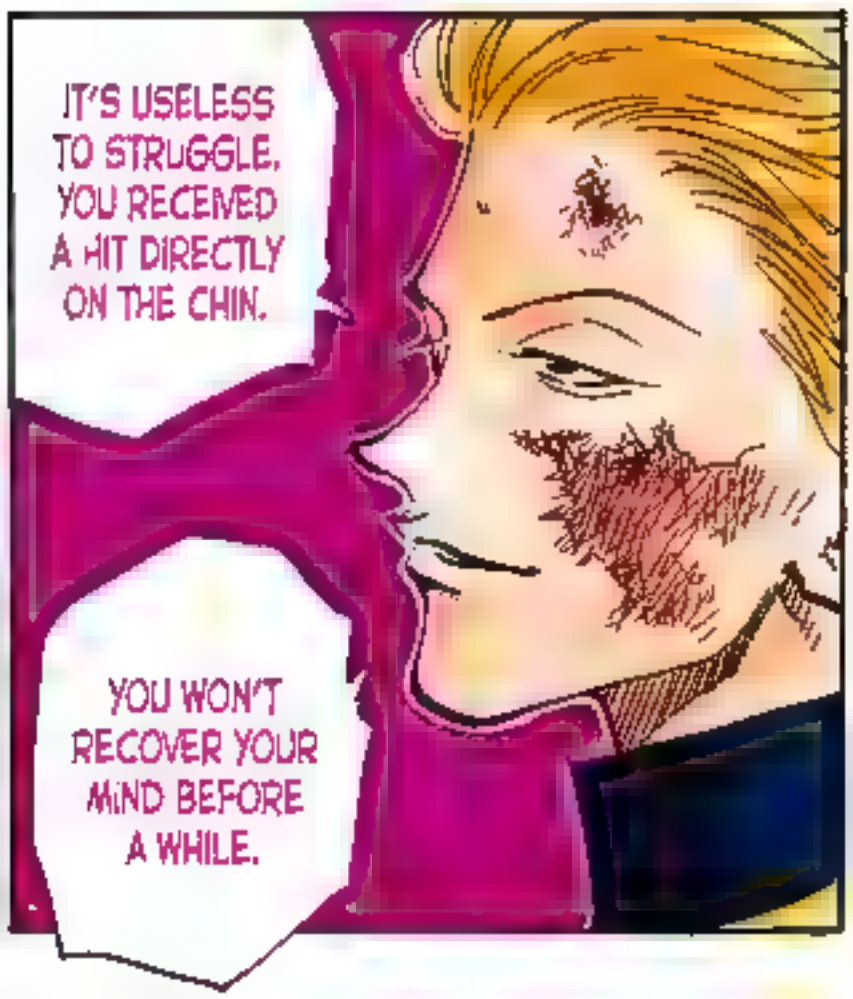
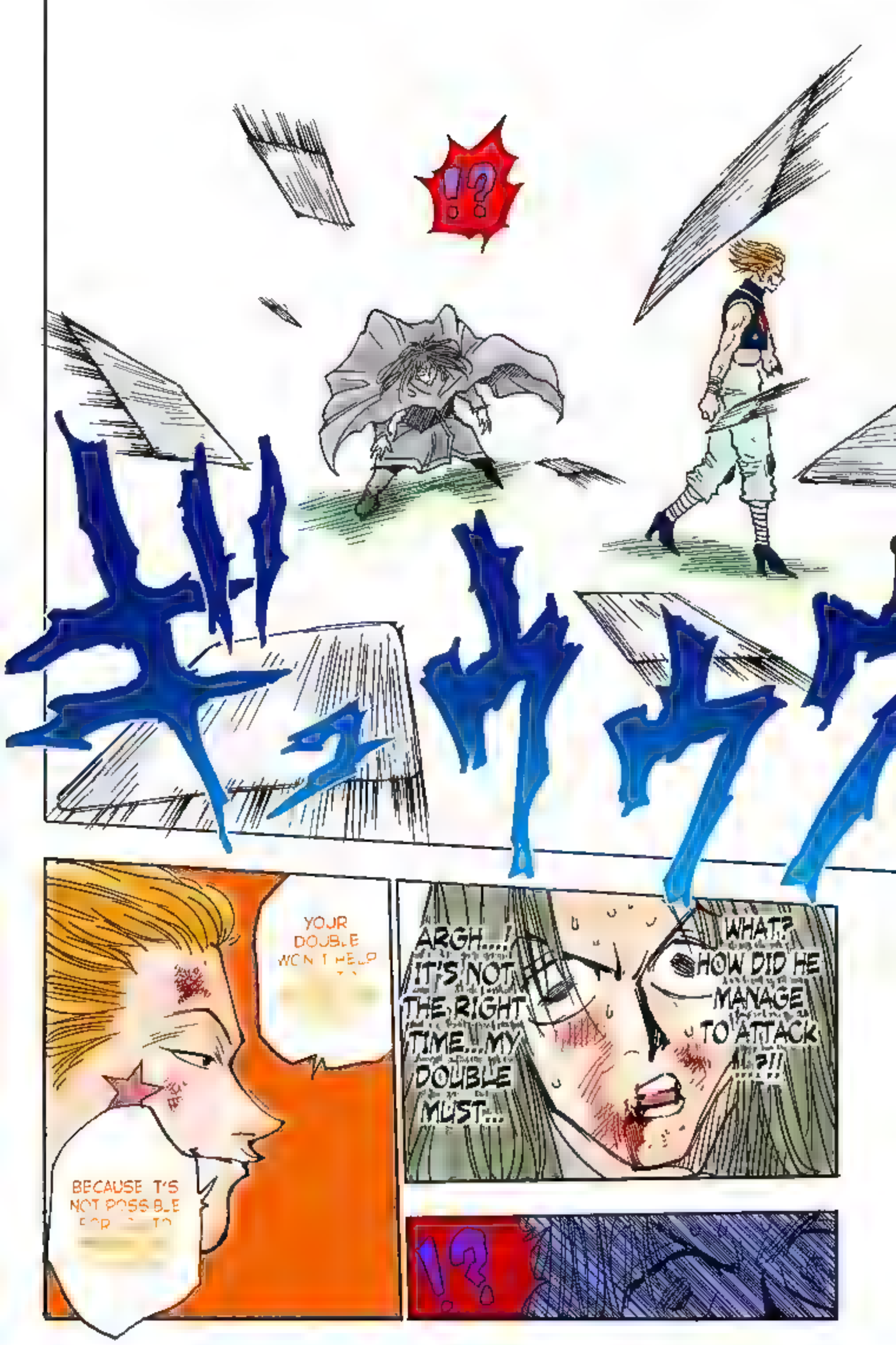

IT WILL ALSO BE USELESS TO TRY DODGING THE NEXT ATTACK.




IT'S USELESS TO STRUGGLE. YOU RECEIVED A HIT DIRECTLY ON THE CHIN.
YOU WON'T RECOVER YOUR MIND BEFORE A WHILE.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YOUR DOUBLE WON'T HELP
BECAUSE IT'S NOT POSSIBLE
ARGH...! IT'S NOT THE RIGHT TIME...! MY DOUBLE MUST...
WHAT? HOW DID HE MANAGE TO ATTACK ME?!!
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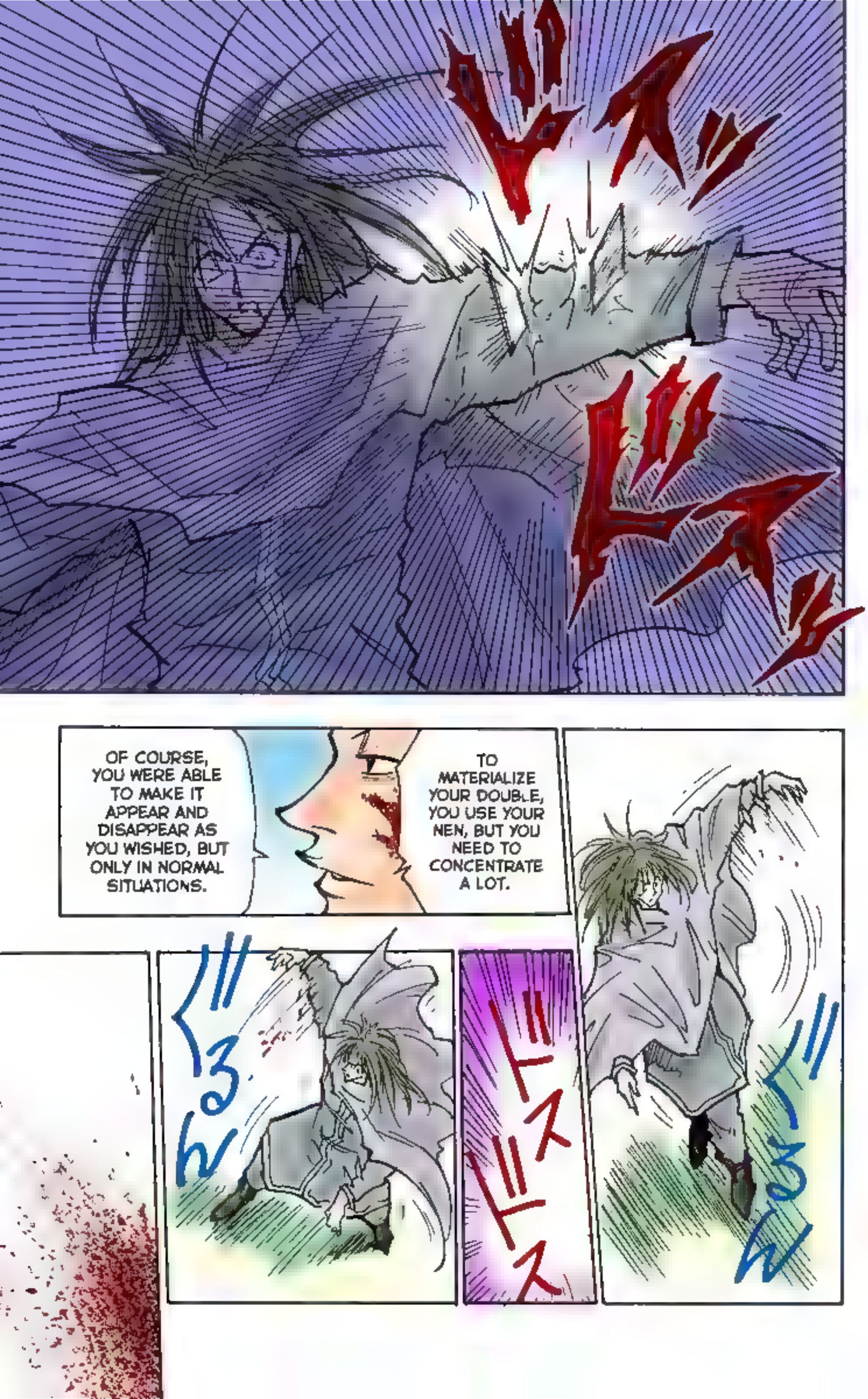
OF COURSE, YOU WERE ABLE TO MAKE IT APPEAR AND DISAPPEAR AS YOU WISHED, BUT ONLY IN NORMAL SITUATIONS.
TO MATERIALIZE YOUR DOUBLE, YOU USE YOUR NEN, BUT YOU NEED TO CONCENTRATE A LOT.
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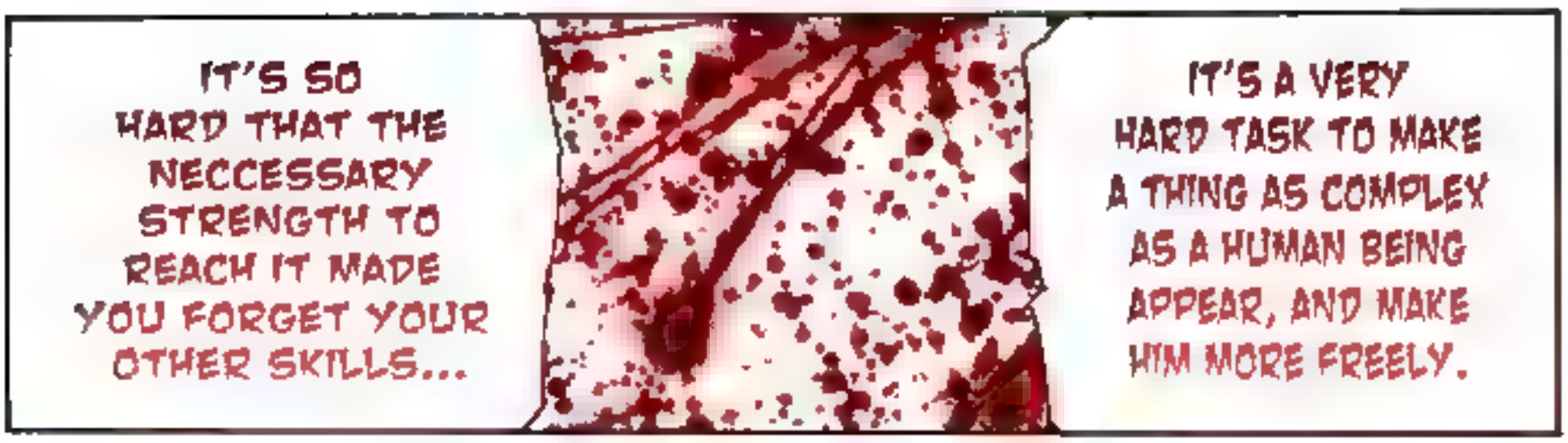
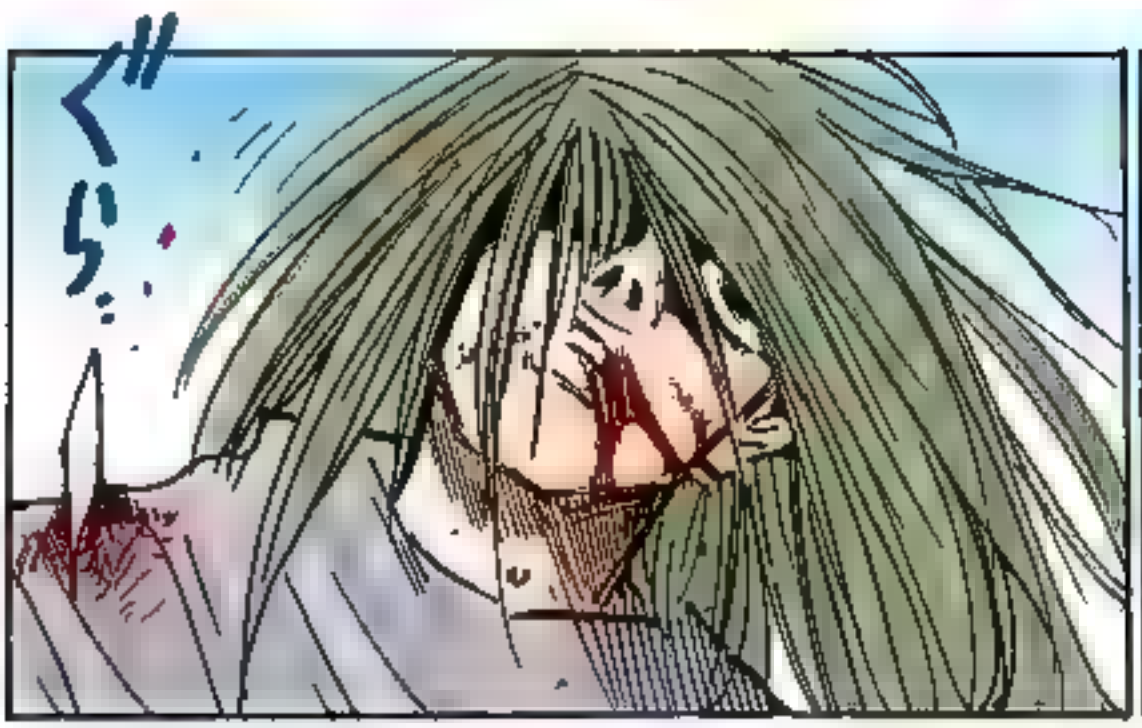
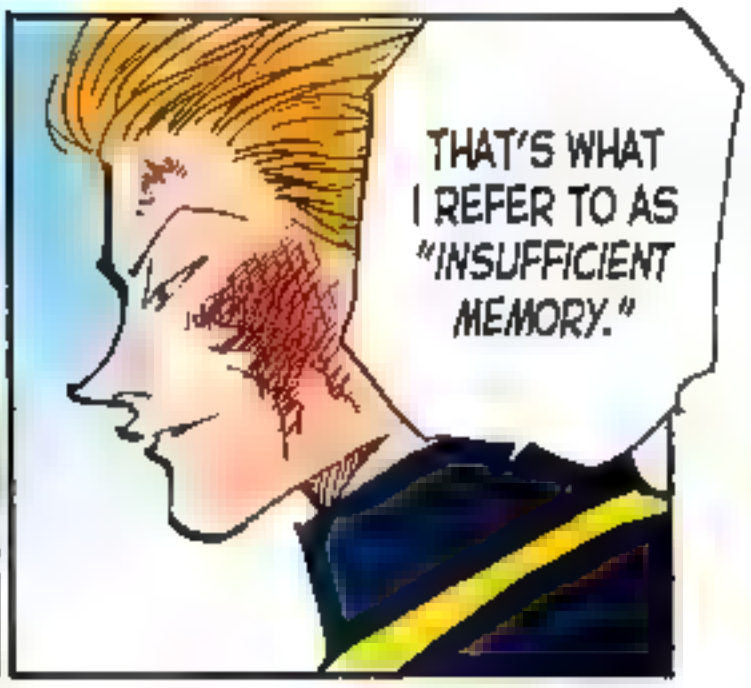

IT'S SO HARD THAT THE NECCESSARY STRENGTH TO REACH IT MADE YOU FORGET YOUR OTHER SKILLS...
IT'S A VERY HARD TASK TO MAKE A THING AS COMPLEX AS A HUMAN BEING APPEAR, AND MAKE HIM MORE FREELY.




THAT'S WHAT I REFER TO AS "INSUFFICIENT MEMORY."

IS THE REASON FOR YOUR DEFEAT.
THE SUPER-FLUOUS USE OF YOU MEMORY...
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I WANTED TO USE THIS SKETCH FOR VOLUME 6, BUT IT WAS TO BIG FOR IT TO FIT.

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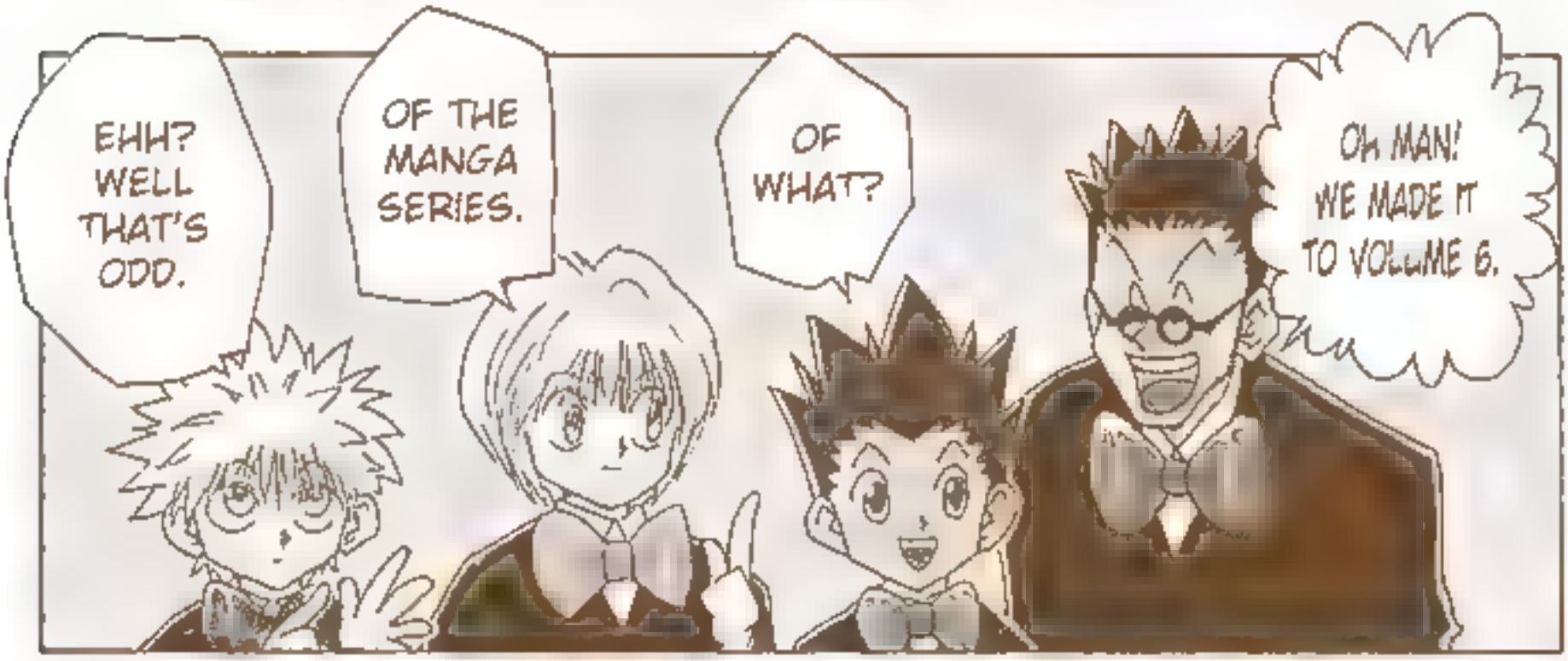

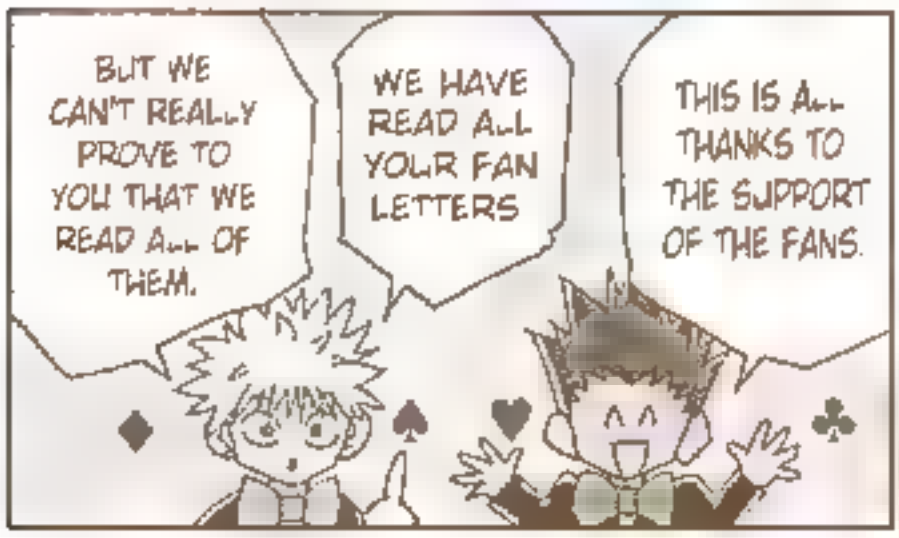

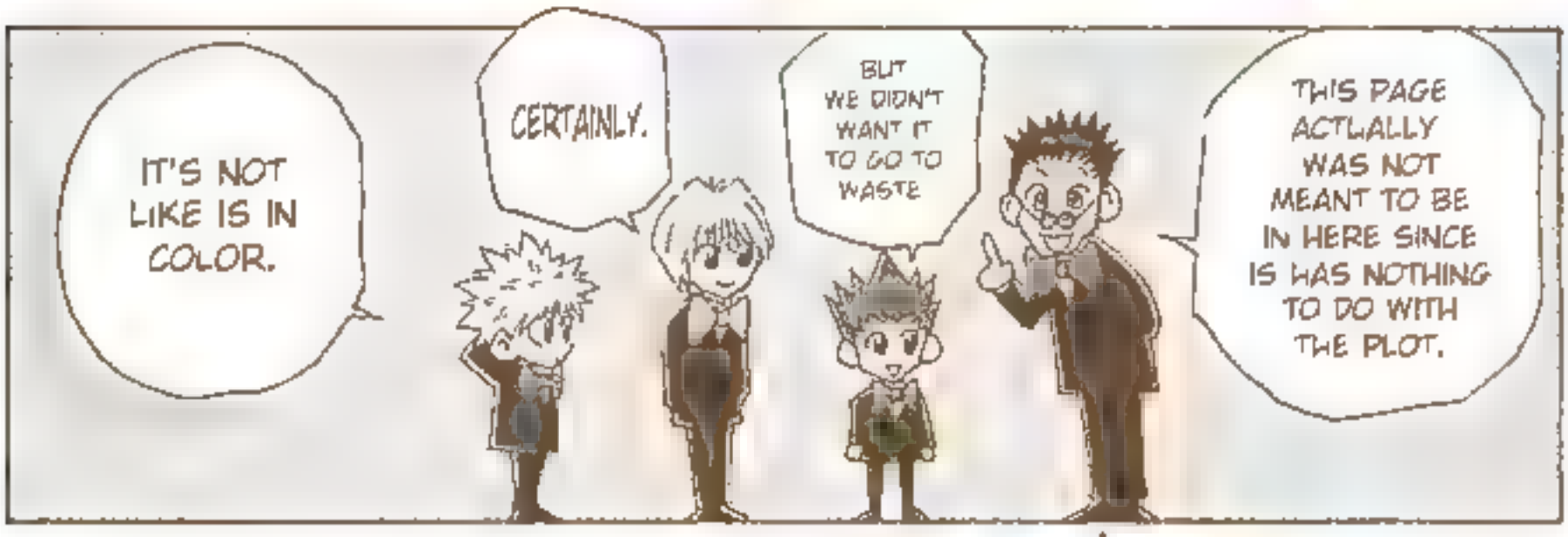

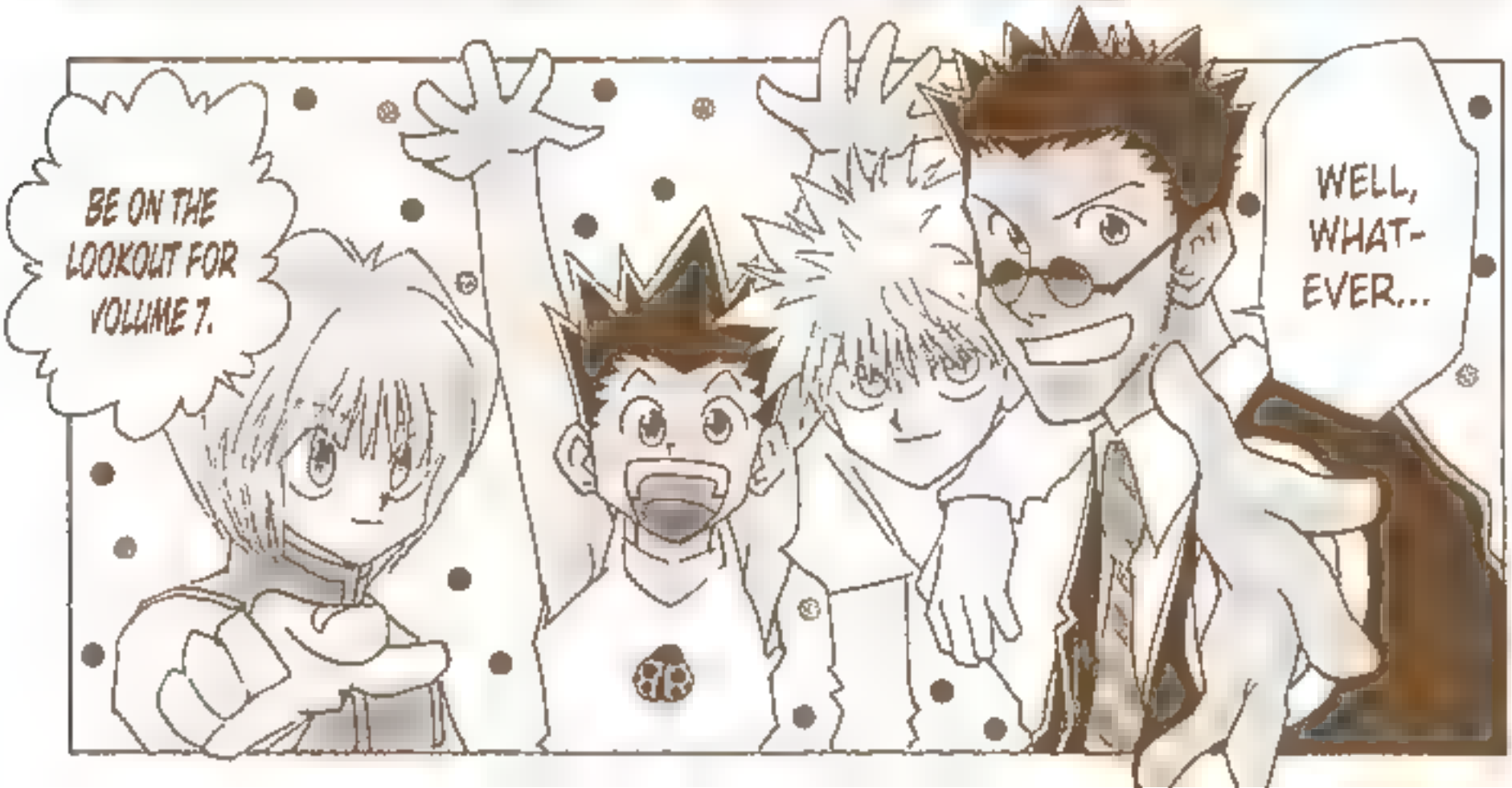

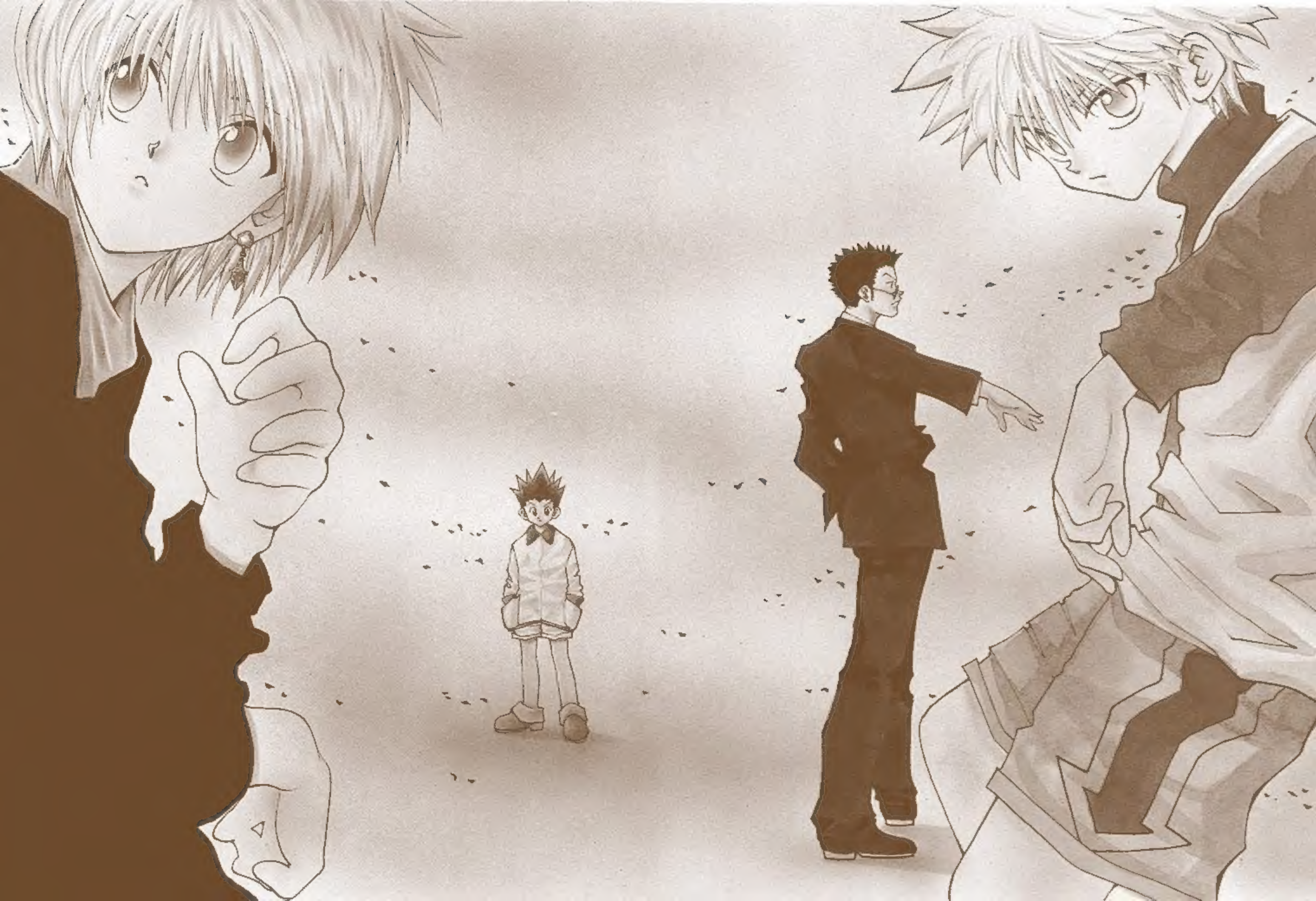

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